



Tough Talk

Obama to GOP: Act on jobs or get run out of town

President Barack Obama gestures during a news conference in the East Room of the White House in Washington, Thursday, Oct. 6, 2011.
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WASHINGTON (AP) — A combative President Barack Obama challenged a divided Congress

prevail next week when Democrats try to advance a reworked version, which Obama supports, with a tax on millionaires.

Speaking at a forum just about the same time as Obama, House Speaker John Boehner said the pres-

nothing Congress. If Congress does nothing, then it's not a matter of me running against them. I think the American people will run them out of town, because they are frustrated." Obama conceded that voters have grown deeply



President Barack Obama heads back to the Oval Office after an event in the Rose Garden of the White House in Washington to honor the 2011 NCAA Women's Championship basketball team, Texas A & M, Thursday, Oct. 6, 2011. A combative Obama challenged a divided Congress on Thursday to unite behind his jobs bill or get ready to be run "out of town" by angry voters.

(AP Photo/Susan Walsh)

on Thursday to unite behind his jobs bill or get ready to be run "out of town" by angry voters. Hoping to use public frustration and economic worry as leverage, he called his proposal an insurance plan against a painful return to recession. In a news conference long on restatements of his ideas, Obama laid bare the dynamic that now is Washington: The era of compromise is over.

Frustrated over getting nowhere with Republicans, Obama demanded that they explain themselves to the country and promised to keep "hammering way until something gets done." Despite Obama's taunts, Republicans showed no signs of switching positions. Instead, they pressed unsuccessfully for a symbolic vote later in the day so they could demonstrate their opposition to the bill the president submitted three weeks ago. They also predicted they would

ident had decided to "give up on governing, give up on leading." Said Boehner: "We're legislating. He's campaigning." Obama's news conference marked a continuation of his recent feistiness, and his party's pre-election-year attempt to depict Republicans as protectors of the rich at the expense of the jobless. Obama plans to keep it up through his campaign as he seeks a second term amid persistently high unemployment. Lamenting political gamesmanship, Obama defended his own tactic of campaigning for a jobs bill that appears to have no chance of passing as it is. When asked about his willingness to negotiate to help the millions of unemployed, he said he had gone out of his way every time with Republicans, to little avail. "The question, then, is, will Congress do something?" the president said. "If Congress does something, then I can't run against a do-

exasperated and cynical, and he put the responsibility largely on Congress as unresponsive to public opinion. At one point Obama even told his media questioners to accept a "little homework assignment" and "go ask Republicans what their jobs plan is." The political positioning came with the American economy weakening and at a risk of sinking as a consequence of Europe's debt crisis. Nearly one-third of the unemployed people in the United States — almost 4.5 million people — have been out of work for a year or more. Obama would not say whether he agreed with Federal Reserve Chairman Ben Bernanke's warning this week that the economic recovery "is close to faltering." The president said the country stands to face deeper problems without action, particularly if a payroll tax cut and unemployment benefits are not extended. □



An iPad displays a burning candle image besides a picture of Apple founder and former CEO Steve Jobs as to pay tribute at an Apple retail store in Hong Kong Thursday, Oct. 6, 2011. Steve Jobs, the Apple founder and former CEO who invented and masterfully marketed ever-sleeker gadgets that transformed everyday technology, from the personal computer to the iPod and iPhone, died Wednesday, Oct. 5, 2011. He was 56.

(AP Photo/Kin Cheung)

Apple fans reach for devices to mourn Jobs

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He was a conjurer, a modern magician who reached into tomorrow and came up with things that changed millions of lives. And as people gathered at Apple Stores from Sydney to San Francisco to mourn Steve Jobs, the feeling was more than grief for an executive or even an inventor. It was something closer to awe for a wizard.

On Thursday, the admirers who turned his technological marvels into everyday tools used them as instruments of grief. People held up pictures of candles on their iPads, booted up their MacBook Pros to watch old Jobs presentations on YouTube, used their iPhones to sift through remembrances on Twitter.

They grieved his loss through devices that before his time, or without his vision, would have been considered beyond humanity's reach. Ten years ago, the only people who carried their music around were tech geeks, music obsessives and those willing to tote a clunky CD player. Presto — the iPod, and everyone wanted one. And then another and another. Five years ago, cell-phones had hinges, and the displays looked more like the age of Atari than the age of the Internet. Texting, for the most part, was a matter of cryptography, tapping out strings of numbers to make words. Presto — the iPhone, and everyone wanted one of those, too. Two years ago, the economy had just tanked, and it was hard enough for companies to persuade people to buy the things they needed. □

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Feds target U.S. pot dispensaries

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Associated Press

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) —

Federal prosecutors have launched a crackdown on some pot dispensaries in California, warning the stores that they must shut down in 45 days or face criminal charges and confiscation of their property even if they are operating legally under the state's 15-year-old medical marijuana law. In an escalation of the ongoing conflict between the U.S. government and the nation's burgeoning medical marijuana industry, at least 16 pot shops or their landlords received letters this week stating they are violating federal drug laws, even though medical marijuana is legal in California. The state's four U.S. attorneys are scheduled to announce a broader coordinated crackdown at a Friday news conference.

Their offices refused to confirm the closure orders. The Associated Press obtained copies of the letters that a prosecutor sent to at least 12 San Diego dispensaries. They state that federal law "takes precedence over state law and applies regardless of the particular uses for which a dispensary is selling and distributing marijuana."

"Under United States law, a dispensary's operations involving sales and distribution of marijuana are illegal and subject to criminal prosecution and civil enforcement actions," letters signed by U.S. Attorney Laura Duffy in San Diego read. □

Wall Street protesters fed up with both parties

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NEW YORK (AP) —

Their chief target is Wall Street, but many of the demonstrators in New York and across the U.S. are also thoroughly disgusted with Washington, blaming politicians of both parties for policies they say protect corporate America at the expense of the middle class.

The Occupy Wall Street movement, which began last month with a small number of young people pitching a tent in front of the New York Stock Exchange, has expanded nationally and drawn a wide variety of activists, including union members and laid-off workers. Demonstrators marched Thursday in Philadelphia, Salt Lake City, Los Angeles and Anchorage, Alaska, carrying signs with slogans such as "Get money out of politics" and "I can't afford a lobbyist."

"At this point I don't see any difference between George Bush and Obama. The middle class is a lot worse than when Obama was elected," said John Penley, an unemployed legal worker from Brooklyn. The protests are in some ways the liberal flip side of the tea party movement, which was launched in 2009 in a populist reaction against the bank and auto bailouts and the \$787 billion economic stimulus plan.

But while tea party activists eventually became a crucial part of the Republican coalition, the Occupy Wall Street protesters are cutting

President Barack Obama little slack. They say Obama failed to crack down on the banks after the 2008 mortgage meltdown and financial crisis.

"He could have taken a

protests. But he pinned responsibility on the financial industry and on congressional Republicans he says have blocked his efforts to kick-start job growth.

"I think people are frus-

resisted such tax increases. Republican presidential candidates Mitt Romney and Herman Cain have criticized the anti-Wall Street protests. All the Republican contenders have



One of several demonstrators is taken into custody by police after refusing to leave a Bank of America branch in downtown Los Angeles, Thursday, Oct. 6, 2011. The arrests Thursday afternoon came at the end of a demonstration that moved among high-rises housing the offices of banks and other financial institutions.

(AP Photo/Chris Carlson)

much more populist, aggressive stance at the beginning against Wall Street bonuses, and exacting certain change from bailing out the banks," said Michael Kazin, a Georgetown University history professor and author of "American Dreamers," a history of the left. "But ultimately, the economy has not gotten much better, and that's underscored the frustration on both the right and the left." Obama on Thursday acknowledged the economic insecurities fueling the nearly 3-week-old Wall Street

trated and the protesters are giving voice to a more broad-based frustration about how our financial system works," he said at a nationally televised news conference. "The American people understand that not everybody has been following the rules, that Wall Street is an example of that ... and that's going to express itself politically in 2012 and beyond."

The president has been pushing for a \$443 billion jobs plan to be paid for in part through a tax on the wealthy. Republicans have

also pushed back against the demonization of Wall Street. They accuse the Obama administration of setting regulatory policies that have stifled job creation and say his health care overhaul will prevent many businesses from hiring new workers.

In Zuccotti Park, the center of the Occupy Wall Street protests in New York, activists expressed deep frustration with the political gridlock in Washington. While some blamed Republicans for blocking reform, others singled out Obama. □



Nigerian native dismissed from airline attack jury

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DETROIT (AP) — A native of Nigeria was dismissed Thursday minutes after being picked as a juror for the trial

lab, a 24-year-old from an upper-class Nigerian family, is accused of a stunning plot to blow up Northwest Airlines Flight 253 with a bomb in his underwear on

family home is in northern Nigeria. Abdulmutallab is representing himself but jury selection was handled by his court-appointed standby counsel, Anthony Chambers. Chambers declined to comment on why the Nigerian woman was dismissed but expressed disappointment with the makeup of the jury, which has nine women and three men. Two women are black, like Abdulmutallab.

"We don't have a fair cross-section of the community," Chambers said outside court. In the moments before the jury was picked, a farmer said he would have a hard time serving. He eloquently described himself as a man who prefers "mercy before condemnation." "I've got to face the eternal judge myself," said the man, whose name was not released. The judge did not excuse him from the pool

but prosecutors used one of their challenges to remove him. Chambers said the defense might offer only one witness, a Detroit-area lawyer who was a passenger on Flight 253 and has a wild theory about what happened that day. Kurt Haskell told The Associated Press that the U.S. government conspired with Abdulmutallab and outfitted him with an intentionally defective bomb. □



Umar Farouk Abdulmutallab appears in U.S. District Judge Nancy Edmunds' courtroom in Detroit. Jury selection in the trial of the Nigerian man accused of trying to bring down a jetliner with a bomb in his underwear got under way in Detroit with a dozen people accepted into the jury pool and four excused. The government alleges Abdulmutallab says he wanted to become a martyr when he boarded Northwest Airlines Flight 253 in Amsterdam on Christmas 2009. In the background is U.S. District (AP Photo/Jerry Lemenu)

of a Nigerian man accused of trying to bring down a jetliner with a bomb in his underwear, a sudden jolt at the end of a long, tiresome process involving dozens of candidates. The woman, like all prospective jurors in the case, was never identified by name. There was no indication in court why she was removed. U.S. District Judge Nancy Edmunds was wrapping up some routine pretrial issues, 30 minutes after settling on a 12-member jury and four alternates, when she declared, "We have a problem with a juror." After a recess, she returned to the bench and said the woman was dismissed and would be replaced by an alternate in time for the trial's opening statements Tuesday. Umar Farouk Abdulmutal-

Christmas 2009. The government says he was under the direction of a radical Islamic cleric and working for al-Qaida on the Amsterdam-to-Detroit plane. The bomb didn't work but he was badly burned. There was no objection to keeping the Nigerian woman in the jury pool when she was questioned in court Wednesday, the second day of the selection process. She had said on a questionnaire that she was "embarrassed" at the time of the attack. "We all feel it as a community," she said in court. The woman said she is from Nigeria's "middle belt," where dozens of ethnic groups mingle on contested land separating the Muslim north from the predominantly Christian south. Abdulmutallab's

US city's underwear run sets world record



People stand with slogans on their bodies as they wait to run in their underwear from the Gallivan Center to the Capitol in Salt Lake City, Utah. Thousands of people stripped to their underwear and ran through Salt Lake City to protest what they called the "uptight" laws of Utah. Undie Run organizer Nate Porter says the goal of the event Saturday was to organize people frustrated by the conservative nature of state politics.

(AP Photo/The Salt Lake Tribune, Djamila Grossman)

SALT LAKE CITY (AP) — A protest of Utah's uptight laws that featured people running through the streets of Salt Lake City in their underwear has set a new world record. Guinness World Records says the Utah Undie Run broke the previous record

for largest gathering of people wearing only underpants or knickers by 1,720 people. Records officials say 2,270 people stripped to their underwear during the Utah Undie Run on Sept. 24. The previous record of 550 people was set last year in Great Britain.

Utah Undie Run organizers are planning another run next August. The event's goal is to protest the state's conservative politics. Organizers prohibit nudity. Participants donned bras, panties, nightgowns, swimwear or colorful boxer shorts. □

Republicans left with Romney-Perry race

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Republicans are left with a two-man battle for the presidential nomination — Mitt Romney and Rick Perry — after two other candidates who might have changed the party's primary contest decided this week against joining the race.

Sarah Palin, the former Alaska governor and Republican vice presidential nominee in 2008, ended speculation on Wednesday that she would jump into the contest.

The outspoken Palin said she was freer to promote her deeply conservative message unshackled from a national candidacy. New Jersey Gov. Chris Christie, who fought back powerful enticements from the

Republican establishment and big-time donors, took himself out of contention on Tuesday.

With U.S. economic woes putting President Barack Obama in a deeply vulnerable position in the 2012 election, Republicans had been searching for someone other than the patrician Romney, the former Massachusetts governor, or the rough-and-tumble Texas Gov. Perry.

Christie was particularly sought after for his success in slashing the New Jersey budget in these days of fevered concern about government debt. His blunt-spoken style appealed strongly to Republican conservatives — even if some



Republican presidential candidate former Massachusetts Gov. Mitt Romney greets Bud Watts, left, as he arrives to speak to supporters aboard the USS Yorktown, Thursday, Oct. 6, 2011, at Patriots Point in Charleston, S.C.

(AP Photo/The Post And Courier, Grace Beahm)

of his policies cause them unease.

Palin had gradually but steadily fallen from favor in recent months and her announced decision against running was more a formality than a choice.

Now, with the start of primary voting just three months away, the reality of time would all but rule out a new candidate being able to join the race hence forward.

Five key nominating contests — in Iowa, New Hampshire, Nevada, Florida and South Carolina — all happen in January and would require nearly inhumane campaign organizing for new Republican entrant. Thus the Republicans are left with Romney. □

3-year-old witnessed triple slaying

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BILLINGS, Montana (AP) — A 3-year-old child witnessed the killing of three people in a remote area of Montana's Crow Indian Reservation and named a family member as the shooter, according to an FBI affidavit.

Sheldon Bernard Chase, 22, was captured in Washington state Wednesday after a multi-state manhunt and made an initial appearance before a judge Thursday. He's accused of killing his grandmother, cousin and cousin's boyfriend at their rural home on Tuesday.

The violence inside a prominent Crow family known for its adherence to traditional tribal values has roiled the reservation south of Billings. An FBI affidavit filed in the criminal complaint against Chase offers new insight into what happened.

Chase suffers from mental illness, according to authorities and those who know him. The affidavit said Chase had stopped taking his medications prior to the shootings, although it does not specify when or what the medications were.

A day before the shootings, he left his mother's house



Sheldon Bernard Chase, arrested in connection with three deaths on Montana's Crow Reservation. Sheldon Bernard Chase, 22, appeared before a federal magistrate on Thursday Oct. 6, 2011 where he faces first-degree murder charges in the killing of his grandmother, cousin and cousin's boyfriend at their rural home.

(AP Photo/FBI)

on North Dakota's Fort Berthold Reservation taking with him a "Sitting Bull commemorative gun," according to the affidavit.

Shortly before noon Tuesday, Chase's 21-year-old cousin, Levon Driftwood, sent a text saying Chase had made it to the Crow Reservation, where he had been attending college and living with extended family in a small cluster of houses about 10 miles outside Lodge Grass.

The matriarch of the tight-knit clan, Gloria Cummins, had suffered a stroke several years ago and was cared for by Driftwood. Driftwood and boyfriend Rueben Jefferson had two-year-old and three-year-old sons, and the affidavit indicates two children were home when Chase arrived. Within minutes, a fight ensued between Chase and Driftwood's boyfriend, Rueben Jefferson. □

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'Top Secret Recipe':

A food detective cracks recipe code

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Everybody talks about food – especially on that new ABC chatterfest, “The Chew” – but nobody does anything about it. Oh, sure, someone might show you how to make a caramelized onion tart with olives or bake a cake in the shape of a Viking ship, but is anyone telling you what you really want to know, which is how to have a Cinnabon roll for breakfast without having to get out of your pajamas and drive to a Cinnabon?

Yes, actually. His name is Todd Wilbur, and for years, in print and the occasional television guest appearance, he has been trying to decode the recipes on which food franchises have been built. On Friday night on CMT, he begins doing so on a weekly series, “Top Secret Recipe.” This is decidedly not a highbrow cooking show, as you can tell from the fact that Wilbur spends part of the pre-



An undated handout photo of an episode of “Top Secret Recipe” with Todd Wilbur. Wilbur makes up recipes to compete with the real KFC on “Top Secret Recipe.”

(51 Minds Entertainment via The New York Times)

miere in a Dumpster.

The gimmick, delivered with a refreshing silliness, is that each week Wilbur takes some famous but well-guarded marquee recipe and tries to duplicate it, through a combi-

nation of stealth, science and educated guesswork. In the opening episode the target is original Kentucky Fried Chicken – you know, the 11 herbs and spices thing. (Cinnabon gets its turn in Episode 2.)

The premise is spurious – if you want to know what's in the chicken, all you really have to do is send a leg of it over to Abby's lab on “NCIS” – but Wilbur, who calls himself a food hacker,

has great fun spinning it out. On a tour of the KFC headquarters, he steals a cook's gloves from the kitchen. He tries to pry information out of a longtime assistant to Harland Sanders, the chain's founder. And, yes, he plunges into a trash bin in search of packaging that might hold clues.

Throughout, he is cooking chicken, taking a bite, then going back to the drawing board. At the show's end, he puts his best shot in front of some taste testers, along with a bucket of actual KFC.

Various food factoids (“foodtoids,” the show calls them) pop up on the screen at points in the show. One in the premiere is, “A chicken loses its feathers when it becomes stressed.” A lot of feathers may be shed if chickens watch this show to the end: Viewers are invited to go to the CMT website to try out Wilbur's version of the recipe themselves. □

			
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Phil Immordino, event coordinator for hundreds of runners expected to sprint along a quarter-mile track while being pursued by dozens of rodeo bulls, on the property where the event will take place in Cave Creek, Ariz. The event, based on the running of the bulls in Spain, comes with a waiver that says "you, your neighbor, your cousin and your cousin's brother can't sue anybody about any of this."

(Laura Segall/The New York Times)

dim view of an event they find cruel on its face.

Before anyone runs though, he or she is required to sign, and then sign some more.

"We have a seven-page waiver, and they need to initial every paragraph and every page," said Immordino, a Phoenix native who also organizes golf tournaments. "It says you, your neighbor, your cousin and your cousin's brother can't sue anybody about any of this." Betsy Grey, an expert on tort law at the Sandra Day O'Connor School of Law at Arizona State University, noted that liability waivers are never 100 percent ironclad, but that bull run participants would face a tough time winning a case. □



A view of the property in Cave Creek, Ariz., where hundreds of runners are expected to sprint along a quarter-mile track while being pursued by dozens of 1,500-pound rodeo bulls.

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CAVE CREEK, Ariz. — As Hemingway pointed out, sprinting ahead of a herd of snarling bulls certainly makes the heart beat faster. But so does what one must do before an American-style running of the bulls begins: sign an extremely comprehensive liability waiver.

Phil Immordino, who organized three bull runs in Nevada and Arizona a decade ago modeled on Spain's famous running of the bulls in Pamplona, took a hiatus after insurance costs rose so high that he could not turn a profit. But he is back at it this month in Cave Creek, a Western-style town north of Phoenix. Immordino expects hundreds of runners to sprint along a quarter-mile track while being pursued by dozens of 1,500-pound rodeo bulls with names like Blood Money and Dooms Day. Also expected are animal rights activists, who take a



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Chile:

Talks broken, police move in on students

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Associated Press

SANTIAGO, Chile (AP) —

Chilean police used water cannons and tear gas to break up a student march for free public education on Thursday, hours after protesters' talks with the government collapsed.

A huge deployment of riot police surrounded students in the Plaza Italia, Santiago's traditional gathering place, where student leader Camila Vallejo tried to lead the march while holding a sign saying "United and Stronger," only to be pummeled by water cannons and forced to retreat by tear gas. Protesters hurled rocks at police and

set blockades ablaze in the streets as officers on horseback chased students onto nearby campuses. Vallejo said officers shot tear gas into their student government offices in "a direct attack against our organization." Students occupied the Alameda, one of Santiago's main avenues, by dancing in large numbers, but were blasted with water from police. Small groups managed to elude officers and approach the presidential palace before being beaten back by police. The regional governor, Cecilia Perez, said 132 people were arrested and 25 officers and five civilians were injured. At least a half-



A demonstrator argues with riot police during student protest in Santiago, Chile, Thursday Oct. 6, 2011. Chilean police severely cracked down Thursday on thousands of students who tried to gather in an unauthorized march for education reform hours after talks with the government broke down. Thursday's march was the 37th weekly protest against President Sebastian Pinera's government since high school and university students began rebelling against Chile's largely privatized education system in April, a movement that swelled as teachers, parents, union members and center-left politicians joined their ranks.

(AP Photo/Luis Hidalgo)

dozen journalists were arrested. She called this "lamentable" and said their arrests would be investigated. Thursday's march was the 37th weekly protest since

the movement against Chile's largely privatized education system began in April, demanding more spending and higher taxes on the wealthy so that qual-

ity public education can be free for all. With both sides accusing the other of intransigence, Chile's government has focused on criminalizing the protests, proposing tough new penalties including up to three years in prison for occupying schools and other public places. Vallejo called the police crackdown unprecedented, even for a movement that for five months has seen initially peaceful mass marches dissolve into isolated but violent confrontations between hooded demonstrators and helmeted, baton-wielding police. "We're sure that we represent the great majority of Chileans," Interior Minister Rodrigo Hinzpeter said Thursday as he defended the government plan to penalize the peaceful occupation of schools and other places, and enable police to demand images taken by photographers and camera crews without a judicial warrant. □



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Associated Press

UNITED NATIONS (AP) —

Sudan will withdraw all its troops from the disputed Abyei region at the same time that the United Nations fully deploys its 4,200-strong force, the country's U.N. ambassador said Thursday. The U.N. Security Council in late June authorized the force from Ethiopia to deploy for six months in oil-rich Abyei, which lies between Sudan and newly independent South Sudan and is claimed by both.

The U.N. action followed violence in Abyei that forced some 110,000 people to flee and a June agreement

between the north and south to demilitarize the region and allow U.N. peacekeepers to deploy.

One of the key pieces of unfinished business from the 2005 peace deal that ended more than two decades of civil war and led to the south's independence in July is the future of Abyei.

A referendum on its future was supposed to be held before independence but the two sides have been unable to agree on terms. Ali Osman said Sudan's President Omar al-Bashir and South Sudan's President Salva Kiir plan to meet Saturday in Kharoum, hopefully "to solve all remaining

problems."

The new U.N. peacekeeping chief, Herve Ladsous, told the council that neither Sudan nor South Sudan has withdrawn their forces from Abyei as promised. Their failure to withdraw threatens to escalate tensions between nomadic Misseriya herders who will soon start their annual migration through Abyei and displaced farmers returning to plant their crops, he said. Sudan's U.N. Ambassador Daffa-Alla Elhag Ali Osman told the council that his country's soldiers "will be pulled out." □

Border youth drawn to 'easy' money of Mexican drug cartels

EAGLE PASS— When Bruce Ballou took over as chief of juvenile probation for Maverick, Zavala and Dimmit counties on or near the Texas border with Mexico, he soon realized he had entered a bizarre and disturbing new world of school-kid narcos.

"Up north, it was a big issue to catch a kid with a quarter ounce of marijuana. When

I came here, in one of my first cases, they caught a kid with 80 pounds," recalled Ballou, 54, who most recently worked in North Texas.

"The officer asked me if I wanted to detain him for 80 pounds. And the kid said, 'It really isn't that much.' And I was floored. The culture and ethos were that this was business as usual," he

UN study: Homicides soar in Central America

ADRIANA GOMEZ LICON

Associated Press

MEXICO CITY (AP) — Honduras and El Salvador have the highest homicide rates in the world as killings reach a crisis point in Central America, a United Nations report said Thursday.

The study on homicides by the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime blamed organized crime for the region's surge in violence. Honduras had 6,200 killings in 2010 out of a population of 7.7 million people, while El Salvador with 6.1 million people had 4,000 homicides.

The 2011 Global Study on Homicide calculated a rate of 82.1 homicides per 100,000 people for Honduras and 66 per 100,000 people for El Salvador. Cote D'Ivoire in West Africa followed with 56.9 and the Caribbean nation of Jamaica with 52.1. The United States had a homicide rate of 5 per 100,000 people in 2009, the report said.

U.S. officials say crackdowns on drug cartels in Mexico and Colombia have pushed gang activity to Central America, which has long been a lucrative corridor for trafficking.

Caribbean countries, most notably Jamaica, have also been affected by drug-related violence, the report said. Mexico has seen a 65 percent increase in killings since President Felipe Calderon launched his offensive against drug cartels in late 2006, the report found. The country is considered part of Central America in the report.

Mexico had a homicide rate of 18.1 per 100,000 people last year, among the lowest in the region, although the 112 million-person nation dominates headlines for its brutal killings and bloody drug gang turf battles.

The U.N. said Mexico's violence is concentrated in the three northern states of Chihuahua, Baja California and Sinaloa and in the Pacific resort state of Guerrero. The report added that increasing violence not only affects drug gang members but security forces and innocent bystanders. Over the past 15 years, the study said, homicides have gone down in Asia, Europe and North America while increasing in Central America and the Caribbean. It said bloodshed in the latter two regions "can be seen to be nearing crisis point." The U.N. blamed firearms and widening income disparities for the violence. It said guns were used in three-quarters of all homicides in Central America and the Caribbean. □



Nowhere else do large drug loads and American teens – many of them high school students – intersect as regularly as in Maverick County, just across the border from Piedras Negras, a Zeta cartel stronghold.

recalled.

In the last several years, smuggling organizations on both sides of the border have turned increasingly to teenagers to move their drugs, well aware that

the legal consequences to those who are caught often have been mild.

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larly as in Maverick County, just across the border from Piedras Negras, a Zeta cartel stronghold.

And sometimes there are life-threatening consequences, officials said, citing instances in which teenagers have been beaten, tortured and held for ransom after losing their illegal loads.

Just three weeks ago, two Del Rio teenagers were caught near Quemado, north of Eagle Pass, transporting 437 pounds of marijuana. They are being prosecuted as adults and will not be Ballou's clients.

Over the past 12 months, Ballou said, his department has handled 29 cases in which teenagers were caught with 80 to 400 pounds of marijuana. □

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EU, Arab Spring favorites for Nobel Peace Prize

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Associated Press

OSLO, Norway (AP) — Arab

Spring or European Union? Speculation ahead of the Nobel Peace Prize announcement today is split after cryptic comments by the award committee's chairman.

Many Nobel watchers have seen the revolutions against autocratic regimes in North Africa and the Middle East as the most likely subject of this year's prize. An American professor who wrote a guide to nonviolent protests was a bookmaker's favorite Thursday.

But Norway's TV2 expected the prize to go to Liberian President Ellen Johnson Sirleaf, while remarks by Thorbjørn Jagland, who has led the five-member Norwegian panel since



A Libyan revolutionary fighter gestures as smoke rises from the city of Sirte, Libya, Thursday, Oct. 6, 2011. For the Nobel Peace Prize, the Arab Spring and the European Union seem to be the top contenders. Speculation ahead of the Nobel Peace Prize announcement today is split after cryptic comments by the award committee's chairman.

(AP Photo/Bela Szandelszky)

2009, have fueled speculation the prize could go to the EU.

Even though Norway is not a member, Jagland is a strong supporter of the 27-nation bloc, which many consider a peace-building project as much as an economic union.

In 1990, Jagland wrote a book titled "My European dream" about European unity following the collapse of the Iron Curtain. Aside from his Nobel duties he serves as secretary-general of the Council of Europe, a European human rights organization that is separate from the EU.

Jagland told The Associated Press this week that the prize — decided last Friday — would go to something "obvious" that he considered "the most positive development" in the world right now. □

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Harvesting cease-fire offers respite in Afghanistan

C.J. CHIVERS

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OBSERVATION POST TWINS, Afghanistan – When an 82-millimeter mortar round slammed onto a bunker at this mountaintop post last week, its explosion signaled more than the start of another attack on a U.S. position overlooking an arc

tary positions, which presents an annual problem: Pine-cone pickers risk being caught between two warring sides. This year, as villagers worked the slopes in front of this new U.S.-Afghan outpost, the risks to civilians were reduced in a starkly practical way – the Taliban and Haqqani fight-

work, fighting can subside. In sections of Paktika province, the decline in violence was clear and steep. Throughout the summer, Taliban and Haqqani fighters fired on this observation post regularly, hitting it with 82-millimeter mortar rounds and 107-millimeter rockets, and sometimes with machine-gun or rifle fire, too. “For two months we basically received contact daily or twice daily,” said Capt. Craig A. Halstead, who commands Company B, Second Battalion, 28th Infantry Regiment, which rotates platoons through the post.

In the month of August, the company's data shows, there were only two days when the outpost was not under fire. The fighting con-



Afghan National Army soldiers fill sandbags at Observation Post Twins in the northern Paktika Province of Afghanistan.
(Tyler Hicks/The New York Times)



Afghan National Army soldiers play cards at Observation Post Twins in the northern Paktika Province of Afghanistan. Militants who had been firing on the outpost daily declared a unilateral cease-fire during the pine-nut season in September.
(Tyler Hicks/The New York Times)

of hostile Afghan villages. It marked the end of a particular harvest. In eastern Paktika province, near the border with Pakistan, September and early October are pine-nut season. Much of the able-bodied population in rural villages is busy gathering cones from forests on mountain slopes. But several slopes that yield rich harvests face U.S. mili-

ers declared a unilateral cease-fire, U.S. officers say. Guerrilla war can have its own rhythms and take ever-shifting patterns and forms. The “pine-nut truce,” as it became known among soldiers who found an unexpected respite from the exhausting grind of daily contact, underscored a pair of simple facts: Waging war requires labor, and when local labor is busy with other

tinued through Sept 8. On Sept 9, the hills were quiet. The company took no fire. On Sept. 10, the soldiers intercepted radio chatter, including the voice of one

of the fighters talking to others about the harvest. “We will not shoot for 15 days so the people can collect pine cones,” the voice said, according to the translated transcript. □

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Mcqueen, Louis Vuitton, Miu Miu for spring 2012

CATHY HORYN

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PARIS — By the end of the Paris collections on Wednesday — actually, the end of the spring 2012 ready-to-wear season — the shell pinks and sorbet greens had turned to an almost sickening shade of cotton candy by the time Marc Jacobs put his Louis Vuitton models on a carousel.

The organza-wrapped sugar, the elaborate staging in a courtyard of the Louvre, was more than a little symbolic for an industry with a taste for excess. It also reflects the feeling, to some, that it is evolving with painful slowness while the real world, the one beyond the tents and paparazzi, is spinning to a completely different beat.

Viewed purely as a fashion statement, Jacobs' many dresses and coats in broderie anglaise, veiled in organza or given a 3-D effect with embroidery, let some light in after his erotically dark fall Vuitton show. The show was also a pleasure to watch for its array



A model presents a design by Chanel during the line's 2012 Spring/Summer show in Paris.

(Valerio Mezzanotti/The New York Times)

Jacobs' take on roundness, emphasized by the loopy chaos of the embroidery and obviously by the merry-go-round. Not that round shapes are new for him. But there have been a lot of straight-and-square clothes this season, with drop-waists and conventional pleating.

It was definitely a week in which the excess could make mere mortals skepti-

said with a smile in the McQueen showroom, referring to the trend for flapper dresses and other waistless wonders. McQueen's clothes have a defined waist, bust and shoulders, and Burton kept that silhouette.

But she worked a different magic this season as she let go a little of the McQueen legacy and brought more of her own ideas and feel-



A model presents a design by Yves Saint Laurent during the line's 2012 Spring/Summer show in Paris, Oct. 3, 2011. The Paris Fashion Week began Sept. 27 and runs until Oct. 5.

(Valerio Mezzanotti/The New York Times)

of grown-up textures and childlike gags — from a gray plaid coat bonded with deep blue broderie anglaise and a white leather dress studded, upholstery-style, with stones, to the little tiaras in the models' hair and the lattice-cut bags. It was also interesting to see

cal and fashion people sick of it. In a superb Alexander McQueen show distinguished by lightness and a real sense of emotion, Sarah Burton also cut shapes on the round.

"We're not a house to do a dropped waist," Burton

ings into the clothes. The most obvious change was a feminine lightness. Except for the final seven or eight show pieces, the garments were incredibly light in the hand, with craft used to good effect and not overplayed. □

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ORANJESTAD - The Caribbean Sea Jazz Festival organization held a press conference in order for the local press to have an opportunity to share some time with the international artists that will be performing during this week end. Present were saxophonist Candy Dulfer and Latin

Jazz Giant Eddie Palmieri. Also present was the Minister of Tourism Mr. Otmar Oduber and the Director of the Aruba Tourism Authority Ronella Tjin Asjoe-Croes both welcomed the artists into the conference room. Eddie Palmieri shared that the last time that he performed in Aruba was 1974

and that he is very happy to be back.

His band consists of very young but talented musicians who master each of their instruments. Candy Dulfer also returns to the island after performing for the last time somewhere during the 1990's at a back then popular jazz festival. Dulfer expressed that Aruba can expect an extraordinary performance from her and the band. They will perform classic hits but also new modern work from her latest album titled "Crazy". Crazy was co-produced by Black Eyed Peas producer Printz Board.

Board has travelled with Dulfer for the Aruba gig and will be on stage together. Angie Stone has all ready arrived on the island and is also ready to give Aruba a



performance of a lifetime. On Friday and Saturday Night the doors of the Cas di Cultura Plaza open at 6 pm. Performances start at 7. On Friday October 7 2011 organizers have programmed Angie Stone, Eddie Palmieri, Tango Extremo, School of Music Ensemble, Michelangelo Kool-

man, Armin Solognier & The Electric Trio, Bremono & Jansen Project and Ydyllmist. On Saturday October 8 2011 Cosy Cotton, Raul Midon & Richard Bona, Candy Dulfer, Flame, Rincon Boys, Time Bandits, Colegio Arubano Orchestra, School of Music Ensemble, and Lee Connor. □

Minister of Health and Sports of Aruba speech at the United Nations stored in history

Minister Visser's speech added to The Permanent Mission of the Netherlands

ORANJESTAD/NEW YORK –

Dr. Richard Visser, Minister of Health & Sports of Aruba joins Uri Rosenthal, Minister of Foreign Affairs of the Netherlands with the documentation of their most recent speeches into The Permanent Mission of the Kingdom of the Netherlands to the United Nations.

Minister Visser recently spoke on behalf of Aruba and the entire Kingdom of the Netherlands at the United Nations General Assembly High Level Meetings. The Declaration of Aruba was introduced by Visser to world leaders present at the conference. This declaration is A Call of Action against Obesity, with special attention to Childhood Obesity and signed by 22 countries of the Americas including the United States. World leaders were asked to join Aruba in the important mission to combat obesity.

Visser's historical speech has recently been added



Minister of Health and Sports of Aruba speech at the United Nations stored in history

as a permanent document of the Kingdom of the Netherlands. The Permanent Mission's main tasks are to promote and clarify the position of The Netherlands in the UN, report to the authorities in The Hague and give advice on develop-

ments at the UN. The position of the Netherlands on various subjects is increasingly being finalized in the framework of the European Union. However, the Mission has countless contacts with other member states of the UN, the UN-secretariat

and UN-organizations, and operates on an individual basis (including through the delivery of statements) in cases where European coordination is not foreseen. The Netherlands held the Presidency of the European Union during the sec-

ond half of 2004. Its previous Presidency took place during the first half of 1997. Since the founding of the United Nations in 1945 the Netherlands has consistently been committed to and very active in promoting the goals of the UN. The Netherlands plays an active role within the organization, be it in the field of peace and security, economic and social development, justice, human rights and fundamental freedoms, or in supporting the UN to make it an effective organization responsive to today's challenges. The Netherlands also strives for an effective, efficient and coherent European Union with coordinated policies within the UN system.

In the Picture: Minister Visser, who represented Aruba and The Kingdom of the Netherlands and the United Nations General Assembly, is pictured with representatives from Mexico, Brazil, and the United States. □

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Sarah-Quita nominated for ISAF Rolex World Sailor of the Year Awards 2011



Sarah-Quita

ORANJESTAD - From across the world the international sailing federation (ISAF) received nominations for the ISAF Rolex World Sailor of the Year Awards 2011. In deciding the nominees, the achievements of sailors made during the period September 1st 2010 through August 31st 2011 are taken into consideration. In each of the two categories there can only be one winner, male and female. The names of those male and female sailors vying for the

coveted and prestigious 2011 ISAF Rolex World Sailor of the Year Award have recently been released with nine nominees selected 5 men and 4 women. The sailors hail from Great Britain, USA, Italy, Spain, Australia and Aruba. Aruba's female nominee in the person of Sarah-Quita Offringa being at 20 years of age the youngest candidate expressed that "it is unreal to her that she has been nominated for this award and to be allowed to walk around at the ceremony with many other outstanding sailors is already an honor for her". The winners will be selected by the ISAF Member National Authorities, who have to cast their vote for one male and one female nominee who they believe most deserves the Award. The winners will be announced at the ISAF Rolex



World Sailor of the Year Awards presentation and dinner in San Juan Puerto Rico on November 8th 2011. www.sailing.org/worldsailor □

Rosemary Cardillo named Ambassador of Goodwill



EAGLE BEACH - Recently, Aruba Mrs. Rosemary Cardillo from East Brunswick NJ was honored as Ambassador of Goodwill for the island of Aruba. Mrs. Cardillo loves Aruba very much, and has also brought a lot of family and friends to Aru-

ba through the years. She always says that the most beautiful people in the world are from Aruba and we love her for saying that. The symbolic honorary title is presented in the name of the Minister of Tourism as a token of ap-

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Aruba through the years. The symbolic honorary title is presented in the name of the Minister of Tourism as a token of appreciation to guests who visit Aruba for 20 or more consecutive years. The certificate was presented by Mr. Ernest Giel representing The Aruba Tourism Authority together with Mrs. Linda Brokke and Young Mr. Ralph Kuiperi representing the Renaissance Ocean Suites. □



EAGLE BEACH - Ken and Elizabeth are here in Aruba for their 3rd trip, and it's the first time without the kids. On Monday evening Ken proposed at Passions Res-

taurant and Elizabeth said yes. They have been together for 5 years and this was a total surprise for Elizabeth. They have been snorkeling

with (Aruba Bob) and also have done an island tour. Hopefully they will come back for the wedding day and every anniversary after that! □

Brew-sed crew: D-backs send NLDS to Game 5 with 10-6 win

Arizona Diamondbacks' Ryan Roberts swings on a first-inning grand slam against the Milwaukee Brewers in Game 4 of baseball's National League division series Wednesday, Oct. 5, 2011, in Phoenix.

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Goalie Ryan Miller of the Buffalo Sabres stretches during the team's practice session in Helsinki, Finland, on Wednesday Oct. 5, 2011, prior their NHL season opener against Anaheim Ducks in Helsinki on Friday Oct. 7.

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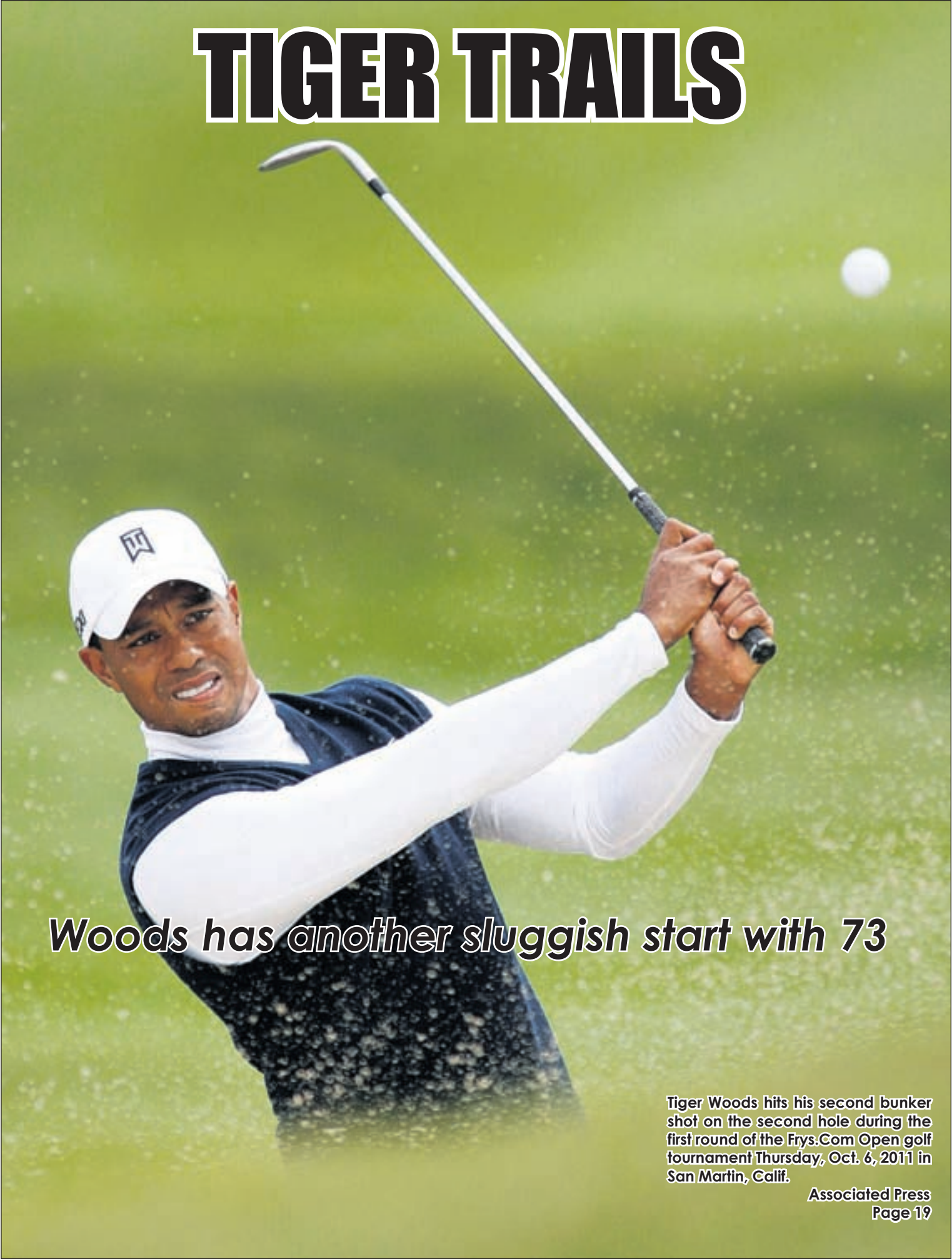
Anaheim and Buffalo open NHL season in Helsinki

MARIUS TURULA
Associated Press

HELSINKI (AP) — The crowd will be hoping to see a high-scoring display from two of Finland's top offensive players. Anaheim and Buffalo both hope it's their defense that really shines. The Ducks take on the Sabres in their regular season opener in Helsinki on Friday as part of the NHL's annual European tour, with Anaheim's Finnish veterans Teemu Selanne and Saku Koivu the main attraction. But it's the defensive side that is the main focus for both teams, who lacked consistency in the back last year and were eliminated in the first round of the play-offs.

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TIGER TRAILS



Woods has another sluggish start with 73

Tiger Woods hits his second bunker shot on the second hole during the first round of the Frys.Com Open golf tournament Thursday, Oct. 6, 2011 in San Martin, Calif.

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Merritt celebrates unexpected doping win



Olympic champion LaShawn Merritt speaks to the media after winning his appeal against an IOC rule banning him from the Olympic games Thursday, Oct. 6, 2011, in Atlanta. Associated Press

PAUL NEWBERRY
AP Sports Writer

ATLANTA (AP) — LaShawn Merritt was pessimistic about his chances of coming back to defend his Olympic title in London. The 400-meter champion figured it would be difficult to overturn a doping rule that banned him from the next summer games. When his agent called Thursday morning, he expected the worst. "I knew the ruling was coming out soon," Merritt said.

"I didn't want to pick up." But the Court of Arbitration for Sport threw out the IOC rule that bars any athlete who has received a doping suspension of more than six months from competing in the next summer or winter games. The court said the rule is "invalid and unenforceable" because it amounts to a second penalty, clearing the way for Merritt and dozens of other athletes around the world — as many as 50 in track and field — to compete in

London. Merritt completed his 21-month suspension in July after testing positive for a banned substance found in a male-enhancement product. He finished second at the world championships in August in South Korea, but the IOC rule would have prevented him from running at the Olympics. Now, he's back in the game. "Today is a good day for me," Merritt said during a news conference arranged by his agent, Kimberly Holland, at a suite overlooking downtown Atlanta. "To be able to go back and defend my title at the Olympic games, there's nothing better than that." Holland first told her client that CAS had ruled against him. Turns out, she was only kidding. "It felt like when you're driving and the police pull up behind you. My heart dropped," Merritt said. "I was just laying in bed thinking, 'OK, I've just got to figure something out.'" Then, she delivered the actual news. The ruling had gone in Merritt's favor. He was stunned.

"For a couple of minutes, I was kind of in shock," Merritt said. "I got punked, but it's a good kind of punked." Merritt, who was also 400-meter world champion in 2009, received a reduced suspension — the normal ban is two years — because he cooperated with authorities and was found to not have taken the drug to improve athletic performance. The 25-year-old Virginia native insisted that he's learned a lot from the embarrassing situation. "It was a little difficult," Merritt said. "It was a mistake. I was a young man. Mistakes happen. I'm just trying to keep that where it is and focus on moving forward." Along with taking silver in his signature event at the worlds, he also helped the Americans win gold in the 4x400 relay at worlds. Merritt wasn't sure what he would've done in 2012 if he didn't have the Olympics for motivation. "A lot of this sport is mental," he said. "Now, I just feel better. I feel better knowing I can move forward and defend my title and train hard and compete." □



Denmark's Caroline Wozniacki reacts after scoring a point against Kaia Kanepi of Estonia during their singles tennis match of the China Open tennis tournament at the National Stadium in Beijing, China, Thursday, Oct. 6, 2011. Associated Press

Wozniacki, Tsonga into quarterfinals at China Open

BEIJING (AP) — Top-seeded players Jo-Wilfried Tsonga and Caroline Wozniacki both advanced to the quarterfinals at the China Open on Thursday. Tsonga beat Chinese qualifier Zheng Ze 6-3, 6-4 and Wozniacki defeated Kaia Kanepi of Estonia 6-3, 7-6 (3). "It was not easy today, and I'm happy to win, of course, even if I was supposed to win," Tsonga said. The Frenchman, who won a tournament at home in Metz last month, is competing for one of the four remaining spots at the season-ending ATP World Tour Finals in London. In the next round, he will face Juan Carlos Ferrero of Spain, who beat Marcel Granollers 6-4, 6-4. "I think he's a great player," Ferrero said of Tsonga. "He's in a good shape. He's been playing very good tennis most of the season on the hard courts, and of course he's one of the favorites to win the tournament." Also in Friday's quarterfinals, Tomas Berdych of the Czech Republic will face Fernando Verdasco of Spain, Ivan Ljubicic of Croatia will meet Mikhail Youzhny of Russia, and Kevin Anderson of South Africa will play Marin Cilic of Croatia. □

NHL season

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With new owner Terry Pegula able to splash out money, Buffalo has added defensemen Robyn Regehr and Christian Ehrhoff to a blueline corps that also includes Tyler Myers and veteran Jordan Leopold. "Offensively our lines made a good job, the competition level was good," Buffalo coach Lindy Ruff said. "Since last year we have added to our defensive core — Ehrhoff on the offensive side, and Regehr who is more defensive, and can stop offensive forwards." Anaheim didn't try to solve its problems by making new signings, having instead revamped its defensive system to avoid a repeat of last year's first-round loss against Nashville. That came after a strong finish to the regular season, winning 15 of its final 20 games,

which raised expectations of a much deeper run this season. "We have put in a lot more work from the standpoint of defensive zone coverage," Anaheim coach Randy Carlyle said. "We went through our systems from top to bottom. We'd obviously like to start as we finished last year. We scored enough goals to win the series (against Nashville) but we did not defend well enough. That will be our focus, to be a better defensive hockey club this year. We have to start from the beginning, we can't play catch up in the NHL." The Sabres wrapped up their preseason tour with an 8-3-win against Germany's Adler Mannheim on Tuesday. Anaheim has spent most of the week in Finland, beating Selanne's former club Jokerit 4-3 in overtime in a preseason game on Tuesday.



Saku Koivu, front, and Ryan Getzlaf of Anaheim Ducks react during the team's practice session in Helsinki, Finland, Wednesday, Oct. 5, 2011. Associated Press

Friday's game will also be played in Jokerit's Hartwall Arena. Selanne said he used the opportunity to get his teammates more familiar with his home country's culture. "Me and Saku and Toni (Lydman) wanted to bring the boys out and see a little bit of Finnish nature and tradi-

tion, with sauna and jumping in the cold ocean," the 41-year-old forward said. "It was great. I really believe that's important that we can get the team together and (make it) a little like a team building event. I knew it was a big experience for the boys, and we had a lot of fun." □

Nadal, Murray advance to Japan Open quarters

JACK GALLAGHER

Associated Press

TOKYO (AP) — Top-seeded Rafael Nadal advanced to the quarterfinals of the Japan Open with a 7-5, 6-3 victory over Milos Raonic of Canada on Thursday.

The No. 2-ranked Nadal will take on unseeded Santiago Giraldo of Colombia in the final eight. Giraldo beat Dmitry Tursunov of Russia 6-4, 7-6 (4).

"I was happy with almost everything today," Nadal said. "I was focused with my serves without mistakes. I lost very few points on my serve in the last set."

In other matches, second-seeded Andy Murray overwhelmed Alex Bogomolov Jr. of the United States 6-1, 6-2 in less than an hour, and third-seeded David Ferrer of Spain advanced with a 4-6, 6-2, 6-2 victory over Australian qualifier Matthew Ebden.

Trailing 6-5 and serving at 30-30 in the 12th game of

the first set, Raonic double-faulted to hand Nadal a set point and then hit a forehand long to give the Spaniard the set.

In the second set, Nadal broke the big-serving Raonic in the sixth game to go up 4-2, then stayed on serve and closed out the contest in 1 hour, 30 minutes.

Nadal, the defending champion, got in 77 percent of his first serves in the victory and Raonic was not able to gain a single break point against the 10-time Grand Slam champion.

Raonic's powerful forehand was impressive, but he also committed several crucial unforced errors in the loss.

"The top players do a few things better than the others," Nadal said.

"The matches are decided by very few points. It is on these points where the top players play better."

Murray lost to Bogomolov



Rafael Nadal of Spain returns the ball to Milos Raonic of Canada during their second round of the Japan Open tennis tournament in Tokyo Thursday, Oct. 6, 2011.

Associated Press

Jr. earlier this year but once he broke serve in the first game, the No. 4-ranked Briton was never troubled again.

Murray wants to finish the year on a high by overtaking Roger Federer for the

No. 3 ranking.

"It was good," Murray said. "My goal is to finish world No. 3 and pick up some titles before the end of the year."

Murray, who won in Bangkok last week, will face Da-

vid Nalbandian in the quarterfinals, after the Argentine beat Ivan Dodig of Croatia 7-6 (2), 6-2.

"I've played Andy a lot in the past," Nalbandian said.

"It will be tough but I have to believe in my game." □



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D-backs beat Brewers 10-6 to send NLDS to Game 5

By JOHN MARSHALL

AP Sports Writer

PHOENIX (AP) — The Arizona Diamondbacks came home and created a new way to celebrate big hits. Now that "The Snake" has started rolling, there may be no stopping it. Changing the complexion of the NL division series with a powerful display, the Diamondbacks hit another grand slam among their team-record four homers to beat the Milwaukee Brewers 10-6 Wednesday night and force Game 5. Outgunned by Milwaukee's "Beast Mode" in the series' first two games, the Diamondbacks came up with "The Snake" after returning to the desert in an 0-2 hole.

The brainchild of catcher Miguel Montero, the hand gesture — a cupped right hand that makes a striking motion — has taken over the series as Arizona has bashed its way toward



Arizona Diamondbacks' Ryan Roberts, right, is greeted at the plate by teammates following his first-inning grand slam against the Milwaukee Brewers in Game 4 of baseball's National League division series Wednesday, Oct. 5, 2011, in Phoenix.

Associated Press

what may be its greatest comeback in a season filled with them.

"We're not going to give up, even when we're down 2-0," said Chris Young, who

drove in three runs. "In the clubhouse, we still believed we could do it. At the time our goal was to get back to Milwaukee. We've reached that, so it's a toss-

up now. We're going to be ready to go."

A day after rolling over the Brewers 8-1, the Diamondbacks struck quickly and often in Game 4, scoring five runs in the first inning off Randy Wolf.

Ryan Roberts had the big blow with a grand slam, making the Diamondbacks the second team — with the 1977 Dodgers — to hit grand slams in consecutive playoff games.

Young added the first of his two homers in the next at-bat,

Aaron Hill had a solo shot and Arizona had 13 hits to send the series back to Milwaukee for the decisive game Friday. It will be a rematch of Game 1 between 21-game winner Ian Kennedy of the Diamondbacks and fellow right-hander Yovani Gallardo.

"This team is resilient," Brewers manager Ron Roenicke said. "We're going to play hard and I expect this

team to have a real good game on Friday."

Written off by many after being outscored 13-5 in the first two games, baseball's best rally team — 48 comeback wins during the regular season — has put itself in position to become just the eighth team overall to win a best-of-five series after trailing 0-2.

Pinch hitter Collin Cowgill added a two-run single and Arizona's bullpen held on after a less-than-crisp outing by starter Joe Saunders to put the tough-to-keep-down Diamondbacks in position to make history.

"We know we're capable of scoring runs, so that was outstanding," Diamondbacks manager Kirk Gibson said. "But to keep things in perspective, we haven't accomplished anything yet. We didn't come here to win two games and not win the series. We have to stay level-headed about it." □



Minnesota Lynx guard Seimone Augustus, right, protects the ball against Atlanta Dream guard Angel McCoughtry (35) in the first half of Game 2 of the WNBA Finals basketball series, Wednesday, Oct. 5, 2011, in Minneapolis.

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AP Sports Writer

ATLANTA (AP) — For the Dream, the task is clear: Start making free throws and keep Minnesota off the line to avoid being swept in the WNBA finals for a second straight year. They'll get the chance to do it at home on Friday when the series shifts to Atlanta for Game 3.

The Lynx went to the free-throw line so many times in Game 2 that Atlanta's players and coach cried foul.

But the Dream couldn't blame the officials for their poor free-throw shooting. Minnesota's 101-95 comeback victory over Atlanta on Wednesday night gave the Lynx a 2-0 advantage in the best-of-five series. Seattle swept Atlanta in last year's finals.

Angel McCoughtry set a finals record with 38 points and out-dueled Minnesota's Seimone Augustus, who scored 36 — but Wednesday's loss left Atlanta on the brink of elimi-

Dream try to avoid being swept by Lynx in finals

nation.

"We just felt like we should have won that game," McCoughtry said Thursday. "We're pretty upset but we'll be OK" on Friday.

The Dream made only 21 for 32 free throws, a key as they faltered in the fourth quarter after leading most of the game.

Atlanta coach Marynell Meadors on Thursday renewed her complaints about the discrepancy in fouls. Her team drew 33 fouls, 10 more than the Lynx. "I think the thing that really turned the game around, they had 24 free throws to our seven in the fourth quarter," Meadors said. Forward Sancho Lyttle fouled out. McCoughtry and center Erika de Souza each finished with four fouls. "I just want to say that the game should be determined by Atlanta and Minnesota," McCoughtry said. "Let us battle it out.

If we come out bloody, we come out bloody. Let us battle it out. We don't want to see it determined by other things."

Asked if she was referring to the officials, McCoughtry said "That didn't come out of my mouth."

Minnesota coach Cheryl Reeve said she expected a tight game from officials Sue Blauch, Lamont Simpson and Kurt Walker.

"I had an idea that it would be called a little more closely," Reeve said. "They called everything. They established it and the players didn't adjust."

Meadors said she believes the officials called a tighter game in the fourth period.

"I just think we are who we are and we've got to come out and play the way we play," Meadors said. "If they call it tight again we've got to adjust much quicker, but the tightness didn't come until

the fourth quarter.

"It changed in the fourth quarter. They called three quarters one way. You start out in the fourth quarter calling it really tight. The thing both coaches want is consistency on both ends and fair play and let them play. Let the players decide the game."

Fouls were a bigger factor for Minnesota in the first half. Star rookie Maya Moore had her playing time severely limited by fouls. Moore, who will return to her Atlanta home for Game 3, had only 8 points in less than 16 minutes.

Thanks to the combined 78 free throws, the game lasted 2 hours and 26 minutes. That's too long, according to Meadors. "We're all programmed for 2 hours," she said. The Atlanta coach acknowledged her team didn't play well when the Dream had a double-digit lead. □

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Woods struggles on return to tour

By DOUG FERGUSON

AP Golf Writer

SAN MARTIN, California

(AP)—Tiger Woods is at risk of missing consecutive cuts for the first time in his professional career after shooting a 2-over 73 in the first round at the Frys.com Open on Thursday, putting him six shots off the lead.

In his first tournament in seven weeks, Woods went 13 holes between his only two birdies, indicating his efforts to revamp his game during the time off have not borne fruit.

"That's probably one of the worst putting rounds I've ever had," Woods said. "I can't putt the ball any worse than I did today."

Texas Open winner Brendan Steele opened with a 4-under 67 on a cool day at CordeValle with a few bursts of showers. He was joined in the lead by Briny Baird, Garrett Willis and Matt Bettencourt. Woods fell out of the top 50 in the world ranking this week for the first time in 15 years, and it showed. The best golf in his group came from college student Patrick Cantlay, the No. 1 amateur in the world, who opened with a 2-under 69. Woods was tied for 86th, although he was still only one shot out of the top 70 and ties that advance to the weekend. It marked the sixth straight round in which he failed to break par. He had not played since

missing the cut at the PGA Championship in August, finishing out of the top 100 for the first time in a major. Woods said the time off at least gave him time to practice, to nail down the major work in his swing change with Sean Foley, and to play 36 holes a day at home in Florida.

But whatever he did right Thursday was derailed once he got on the greens. Woods missed three putts inside 6 feet, two of them for birdie. Even toward the end of his round, he froze when he saw a 4-foot par putt on the 16th hole take a 360-degree ride around the edge of the cup before falling.

"The rest of the game was not too bad," Woods said. "I hit some bad shots, yes. But also, I hit some really good ones. And very pleased at the shots I was hitting most of the day. But I got nothing out of the round on the greens. And whatever momentum I could have gotten by hitting good shots ... you know, I just missed putts." The last time Woods missed consecutive cuts on the PGA Tour was in 1994, when he was an 18-year-old amateur. In fact, he missed his first seven cuts as an amateur. On the PGA Tour, he has missed the 36-hole cut only seven times in his career. "I need to put together a good round tomorrow and gradually piece my way



Tiger Woods and his caddy Joe LaCava, left, wait on the second green during the first round of the Frys.Com Open golf tournament Thursday, Oct. 6, 2011 in San Martin, Calif.

Associated Press

back into the tournament," Woods said. The leaders didn't seem to have many problems, although the cold weather and occasional rain put low scores at a premium. Steele birdied his last two holes for a 31 on the back nine. Baird has made nearly \$12 million on the PGA Tour—the most of anyone without having won a tournament—and gave himself hope of a breakthrough victory by playing without a bogey. The group at 68 included a pair of Australians, Rod Pamplung and Matt Jones, both on the bubble for fin-

ishing in the top 125 on the money list and keeping their PGA Tour cards. There are two more tournaments after this week. Money is not an issue for Cantlay—at least not yet. He has done so well this year, from being low amateur at the U.S. Open to his record-setting 60 at the Travelers Championship, that some feel he is ready for the PGA Tour. He wasn't all that impressed with a score that was four shots better than Woods. "He played how he played," Cantlay said. "I didn't have any expectations for what he was go-

ing to do, or what anybody else was going to do, except for myself." □



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Hospitals object to Sloan-Kettering expansion plans

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NEW YORK — Local hospitals in Westchester County and New York City's other northern suburbs are locked in a battle with a huge Manhattan-based cancer center as it looks to take over a larger share of the affluent suburban market.

On one side is Memorial Sloan-Kettering Cancer Center, which wants to set up a free-standing cancer treatment center in Harrison, N.Y., a few minutes from Scarsdale, where the median family income has been about \$230,000 a year over the last few years, according to the Census Bureau.

On the other side are the community hospitals in the suburbs, which say that if the treatment center is built, they will lose their most affluent, well-insured patients to Memorial's national marketing clout and reputation, even if they provide the same level of care.

Both sides are furiously lobbying Albany, where the state health commissioner will make the ultimate decision, based on the recommendation of a planning council that is meeting Thursday.

The community hospitals compare Memorial to Wal-Mart or Barnes & Noble, a behemoth able to overwhelm local businesses.

"This is a franchise strategy," Kevin Dahill, president of the Northern Metropolitan Hospital Association, said in an interview this week. "This is taking your status, in

this case Memorial Sloan-Kettering based in Manhattan, and going out to very attractive suburban areas

into Manhattan in the first place," Ribaudo said. The State Health Department's staff has recom-

number will only grow as the population ages. The new center would open in 2015 in Harrison,

centers in Basking Ridge, N.J., and Commack, on Long Island, also relatively affluent suburbs.

The local hospitals that would be most affected by the new facility would be White Plains Hospital, Hudson Valley Hospital Center, Lawrence Hospital Center, Northern Westchester Hospital and Westchester Medical Center. "Clearly they want to be in Westchester County because of the attractiveness of the demographic," Dahill, the hospital association president, said. "We think that's an issue that should be debated." Memorial officials denied that the demographics were a factor. "There are certainly affluent parts of those counties," Ribaudo said. "But they are mixed. There are rural and urban areas as well." Dahill suggested that if Memorial was allowed to proceed, other hospitals would follow suit by opening free-standing cardiac care or orthopedic centers, taking more patients from local hospitals.

He said the income that those patients provided was essential to subsidize less profitable operations like emergency rooms, asthma treatment and care for the elderly and the poor.

Memorial projects that the new treatment center would attract about 380 patients in its first year, growing to a maximum of 750 patients within 10 years, which Ribaudo said would still leave many patients to be treated by local hospitals. □



Dr. Henry Lee at the cancer treatment center at White Plains Hospital in White Plains, N.Y., Oct. 5, 2011. Memorial Sloan-Kettering Cancer Center wants to open its own treatment center a few miles away from White Plains.

(Susan Stava/The New York Times)

and setting up what I would characterize as a franchise operation."

But Victor Ribaudo, executive director of Memorial Sloan-Kettering's regional care network, said Wednesday that rather than trying to hurt or compete with local hospitals, Memorial was just seeking to meet a need.

"We think that just the location is going to attract quite a few patients who otherwise would have come

mended approval, saying there are enough cancer cases in the area to support another center and noting that Memorial already draws many patients from the suburbs.

Ribaudo said that in the six suburban New York and Connecticut counties that the center would draw patients from, there were more than 18,000 new cancer cases in 2010, and that since cancer predominantly affects older people, that

which is on the border with White Plains and is a short drive away from Scarsdale and Greenwich.

Memorial plans to spend \$140 million to install the center in a 100,000-square-foot office building.

The center would provide outpatient chemotherapy, radiation, pain management and imaging, but not surgery, which would still be performed at Memorial's Manhattan hospital.

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Apple's mystique may grow with Steve Jobs' death

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SAN FRANCISCO (AP) — In the end, Steve Jobs left the world to his own devices.

As macabre as it might seem, Jobs' death Wednesday will only add to the Apple mystique — and profit. The iPhone, iPad, iPod and Mac will, no doubt, get a sales boost as consumers pay the ultimate tribute to one of America's creative geniuses.

That could be especially true for the latest iPhone, scheduled to go on sale Oct. 14. The lines were going to be long anyway, but now there are bound to be even more people clamoring for the iPhone 4S — the last device to be unveiled while Jobs was alive. It's a commercial phenomenon that has happened many times before, most recently when Michael Jackson's album and song sales rocketed after the pop singer died in 2009.

"Steve Jobs was a rock star, someone on the scale of Benjamin Franklin and Thomas Edison," said Steven Osinski, a marketing professor at San Diego State University. "I think it's very likely there is going to be an upsurge in Apple's sales for a while."

Anything designed by revered figures invariably become hotter commodities after their death, said Michael Bernacchi, a marketing professor at the University of Detroit Mercy.

"These products have significant emotional value, they have sentimental val-

ue, they're connected, if you will, to the bloodstream of the person who's likely to be the purchaser," Bernacchi said. "There's a certain nostalgic value attached to that."

"Mr. Jobs really continues to exist in a much different manner through these products," Bernacchi said.

It can't hurt that many of Apple's 357 stores already have turned into shrines, attracting people who want to mourn together. It's not hard to imagine some of them wandering into the stores and buying an iPad or Mac.

Consider the scene Thursday at Apple's San Francisco store.

A memorial of flowers lined the sidewalk and handwritten notes were plastered on the window. One note read: "You made the world a better place." Another proclaimed "hungry and foolish 4 ever," a nod to one of Jobs' favorite sayings.

Inside the store, it was business as usual. Upbeat rock-and-roll music played, and shoppers clustered around the iPad display.

Javier Martinez, a medical doctor vacationing from Spain, passed by and snapped pictures of the scene with his iPhone 4. Although he has no immediate plans to buy the new version, he is committed to continue buying the products that are a testament to Jobs' genius.

"He's dead, but his soul is alive," Martinez said. "He was the soul of an idea for many people who want



to do things better, differently."

Investors believe it will remain business as usual at Apple. Apple Inc. shares dipped only slightly on the first day of trading after this death, down 88 cents Thursday to \$377.37.

The sedate reaction represents a vote of confidence in the management team that Jobs assembled to carry out his vision. In his final years, Jobs increasingly shared the stage with his lieutenants in a move that telegraphed Apple wasn't just a one-man show.

Jobs also had ensured an orderly transition by resigning as CEO six weeks ago and turning over the job to his protege, Tim Cook.

As soon as he took the job, Cook vowed to maintain "a company and culture that is unlike any other in the world." He will have plenty of help from Jobs-groomed

executives dubbed a management "dream team" by some analysts.

The other key players include marketing guru Phil Schiller, design chief Jonathan Ive, software mastermind Scott Forstall and the head of finance, Peter Oppenheimer. Nearly all the key Apple executives have been at the company for years, many of them joining around the time of Jobs' 1997 return. It's widely believed that Apple's plans for the next two or three years already had been largely worked out before Jobs died.

It's a given that a third-generation iPad will be released next year, but most analysts believe the logical next step will be for Apple to introduce a large-screen television that runs on the same operating system as its computer tablet, phone and touch-screen iPod.

The only question seems to be whether the still-hypothetical iTV will hit the market next year or 2013.

"Steve's style and his vision will live on, and it could soon permeate the living room," predicted Sterne Agee analyst Shaw Wu. After Walt Disney died in December 1966, the company seemed to be in good shape. Within a few months, Disneyland opened another popular attraction — the Pirates of the Caribbean — and released a hit movie, "The Jungle Book."

But Walt Disney had approved and was involved in both projects before he died. After the pipeline went dry, Walt Disney Co. went through a long creative malaise that lasted until it hired Michael Eisner in 1984 to engineer what proved to be a successful turnaround. □

Stocks rise on optimism, Dow up 183

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NEW YORK (AP) — The Dow Jones industrial average jumped 183 points Thursday after U.S. retailers reported

other's financial stability to lend money to one another. Germany's DAX jumped 3.2 percent, and France's CAC-40 rose 3.4 percent. The loans are also meant to

lysts were hoping the bank would cut rates to encourage lending and give a boost to Europe's sagging economy.

Target Corp., Nordstrom Inc., Macy's Inc. and other U.S. retailers reported sales that beat Wall Street's expectations. While some of the sales were driven by deep discounts, analysts said the higher sales suggested the U.S. economy was not in another recession. "The market has been pricing in an out-and-out recession, but the fact that consumer spending is holding up shows that we're more likely to continue muddling through at a 1 to 2 percent growth rate," said Brian Gendreau, market strategist at Cetera Financial Group.

The Dow Jones industrial average jumped 183.38 points, or 1.7 percent, to 11,123.33. It was the first time the Dow rose by more than 100 points for three straight days since a three-day rally that began Aug. 11 and ended with a 763-point gain.

It was the 9th straight day the Dow closed up or down more than 100 points, the longest such streak since November 2008, in the middle of the financial crisis. Markets have been extraordinarily volatile as investors react to the latest headlines out of Europe. □



Costumers use an ATM that protesters covered with yellow tape and signs at a Bank of America branch in downtown Los Angeles, Thursday, Oct. 6, 2011.

(AP Photo/Chris Carlson)

stronger September sales. It was the third straight day of gains. The Dow has soared 468 points since Tuesday, or 4.4 percent. The European Central Bank promised to provide unlimited one-year loans to the region's lenders through 2013. The goal is to shield banks from poorly functioning short-term credit markets, in which banks are becoming too worried about each

help protect the banks in the event Greece's government defaults on its debt. If that happens the value of Greek bonds held by those banks would be likely to drop sharply, weakening the banks' balance sheets and making it harder for them to lend. The European Central Bank disappointed some investors by announcing that it would keep interest rates unchanged. Ana-



Del Monte, Barclays settle holders' suits

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LOS ANGELES (AP) — Del Monte Corp. and Barclays Capital Inc. have agreed to pay \$89.4 million to settle shareholder lawsuits over the food maker's sale earlier this year to an investor group led by Kohlberg Kravis Roberts & Co. Under the terms of the proposed settlement filed Thursday with the Delaware Chancery Court, Del Monte agreed to pay shareholders \$65.7 million in cash. Barclays, which served as Del Monte's financial adviser in its buyout, agreed to contribute \$23.7 million in cash toward the settlement. The company's brands include Contadina tomato products and Kibbles 'n Bits, Meow Mix and Milk-Bone pet foods. Shareholders challenged the \$4 billion buyout, claiming that the directors on the board of San Francisco-based Del Monte breached their fiduciary duty and misled investors when they put together the deal. Investors also accused Barclays of having a conflict of interest because, in addition to advising Del Monte, the London-based bank provided some of the buyers' financing. In February, Vice Chancellor J. Travis Laster in the Delaware Court of Chancery, determined that Barclays manipulated the sale process to boost its fees and colluded with the private equity firms, but he also faulted Del Monte for its handling of the deal. □

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With caution, European bank acts to shore up economy



People walk past a man begging for money in Rome. Alarm over Europe's crisis has reached a new level, with many expecting an imminent default by Greece and the spread of the crisis to large economies like Italy and Spain. Banks are feeling the same type of credit squeeze that caused many to collapse in 2008.

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BERLIN — The European Central Bank increased aid to struggling financial institutions Thursday, but disappointed those expecting more drastic measures to combat slowing growth and address a deepening bank emergency. The central bank's restraint came in contrast to the action of the Bank of England, which announced another round of bond buying to support the slowing British economy. The pound fell against all major currencies

after the announcement; the euro rose against the dollar. As a slump in German factory orders provided the latest sign of a looming recession, the European Central Bank left its benchmark rate unchanged, at 1.5 percent. The Bank of England also left its main rate unchanged, at 0.5 percent. During his last news conference as European Central Bank president, Jean-Claude Trichet said that members of the central bank's governing council had discussed a rate cut before concluding "by consensus" that infla-

tion in the euro area — at 3 percent — was still too high. The statement, and a subdued assessment of the eurozone economy, suggested the bank will be open to cutting rates in coming months, as many analysts expect. Trichet said the central bank expected "very moderate" growth ahead in "an environment of particularly high uncertainty." Janet Henry, chief European economist at HSBC, wrote in a note to clients that the European Central Bank "has clearly left the door open to a cut, possibly as soon as Novem-

US Senate moves toward vote on China's currency

JIM ABRAMS
Associated Press

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Senate on Thursday moved toward a final vote on legislation that would confront China over its practice of keeping its exports cheap by undervaluing the Chinese currency. The bill is intended to impose enough trade penalties against China to offset the economic advantage China gains from keeping the yuan below market values. Supporters say that will make American producers

more competitive and put Americans back to work. The measure cleared an important procedural vote Thursday, and Senate Majority Leader Harry Reid, a Democrat, said he wanted a vote on passage either late Thursday or Friday. The White House has raised concerns about taking unilateral action against the Chinese and multinational corporations that do business in China widely oppose the plan, fearing it could lead to a trade war. President Barack Obama

said a news conference Thursday that it was "indisputable" that the Chinese "intervene heavily in the currency markets." He said China "has been very aggressive in gaming the trading system to its advantage and to the disadvantage of other countries, particularly the United States." He said the Senate bill was an effort to get at these practices, but he stressed that whatever tools are put in place must adhere to international treaties and obligations. □

ber." She said that Trichet may have been reluctant to send any stronger signals on the central bank's intentions that might constrain his successor, Mario Draghi, now governor of the bank of Italy. Draghi will take office Nov. 1. Draghi brings a similar outlook and background as Trichet and is not expected to radically alter monetary policy. But he may find it hard to move boldly at the beginning of

his term, given that he may feel it necessary to establish his anti-inflation credentials. He has kept an extraordinarily low profile in the final months of Trichet's tenure and his intentions are largely a mystery. The European Central Bank did respond to signs that banks are reluctant to lend to each other because of fears about their exposure to shaky government debt. □

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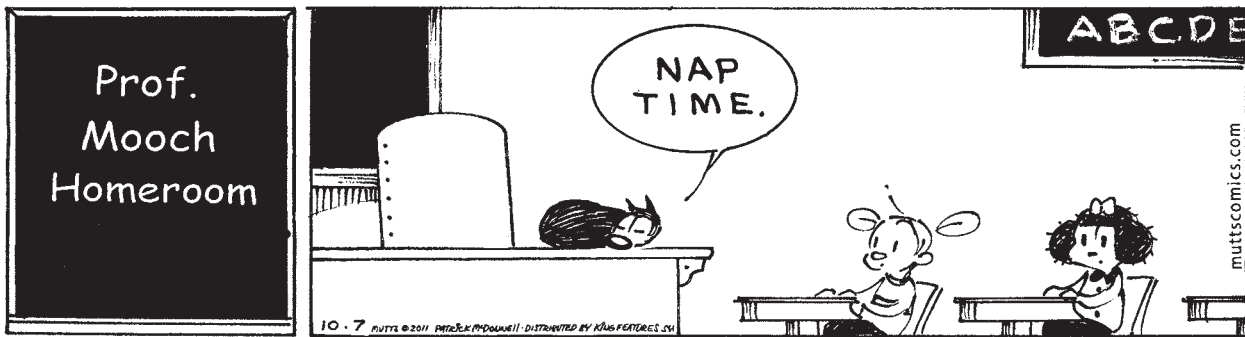
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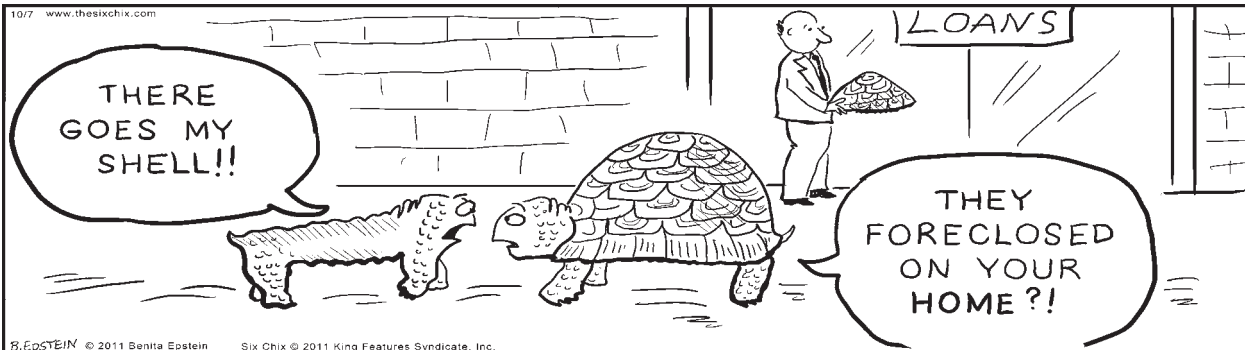
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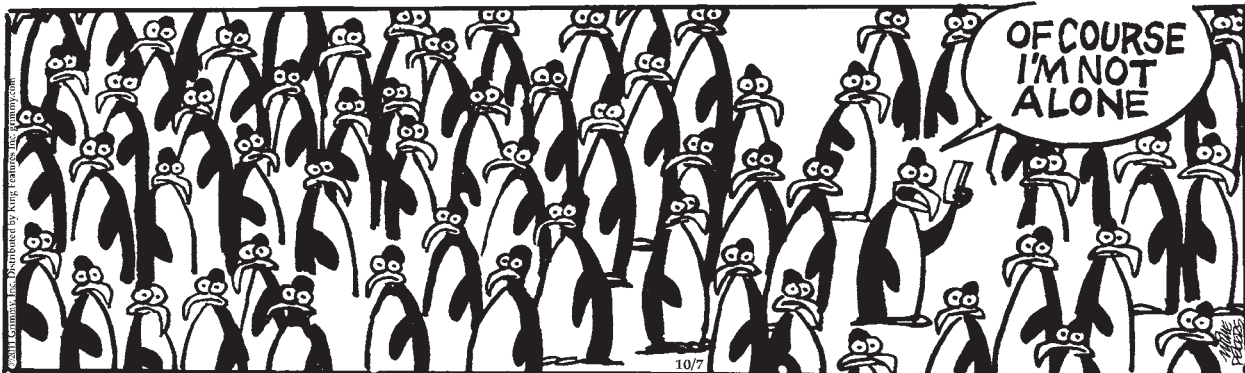
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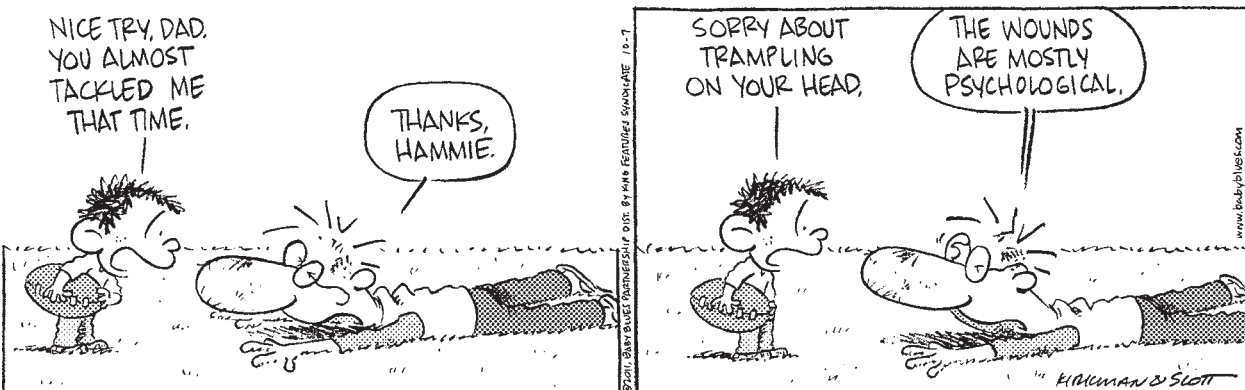
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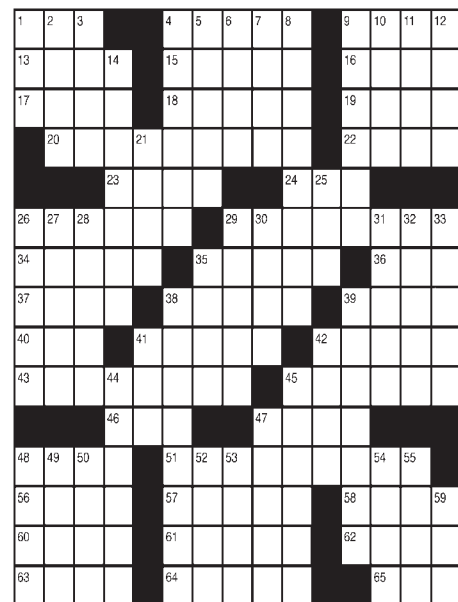
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Today In History

Today is Friday, October 7, the 280th day of 2011. There are 85 days left in the year.

Highlights in history on this date:

1571 - In a naval engagement, allied Christian forces — an Austrian, Genovese and Venetian fleet — defeat the Turks in the Battle of Lepanto during an Ottoman campaign to acquire Cyprus.

1765 - The Stamp Act Congress convenes in New York to draw up colonial grievances against England.

1769 - Capt. James Cook lands in New Zealand for the first time, at Poverty Bay.

1826 - The first gravity-powered American railroad goes into operation, running from Quincy to Milton, Massachusetts, carrying granite rock down to the waterfront.

1879 - Britain invades Afghanistan.

1935 - League of Nations declares Italy aggressor in Ethiopia.

1942 - U.S. President Franklin D. Roosevelt announces an allied commission will be established to investigate Axis crimes against civilians and "war criminals" will be punished.

1949 - German Democratic Republic is established in Soviet-occupied eastern Germany.

1950 - U.N. General Assembly approves Allied advance north of 38th parallel in Korean conflict.

1954 - Marian Anderson becomes the first black singer hired by the New York Metropolitan Opera House.

1958 - President Iskander Mirza proclaims martial law in Pakistan.

1963 - U.S. President John F. Kennedy signs nuclear test ban treaty between United States, Britain and Soviet Union.

1970 - Egypt's Vice President Anwar Sadat officially succeeds the late Gen. Gamal Abdel Nasser as president.

1975 - The Soviet Union and East Germany sign a re-

vised treaty of "friendship, cooperation and mutual assistance" eliminating all reference to the eventual unification of the two German states.

1981 - Egypt's Vice President Hosni Mubarak is nominated as successor to slain President Anwar Sadat.

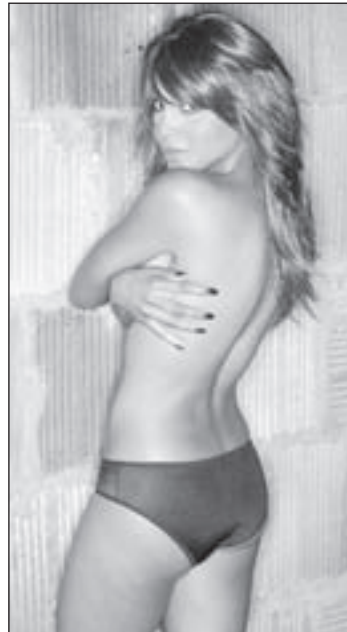
1982 - The Andrew Lloyd Webber-Tim Rice musical "Cats" opens in New York, beginning its record run of 7,485 performances.

1987 - Chinese police set up roadblocks and patrol Lhasa, capital of Tibet, to prevent pro-independence demonstrations.

1988 - Thousands of workers in Yugoslavia demand higher wages and ouster of Communist leaders.

1989 - Hungary's Communist Party renounces Marxism in favor of democratic socialism during a party congress in Budapest.

1991 - U.N. weapons experts report that allied bombing during the Persian Gulf war left a vital Iraqi nuclear in-



Today is Toni Braxton's birthday

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1992 - Trade representatives from the United States, Canada and Mexico initial the proposed North American Free Trade Agreement in Texas.

1993 - African National

Congress President Nelson Mandela and South African President F. W. de Klerk are awarded the Nobel Peace Prize for their efforts in dismantling apartheid and negotiating South Africa's transition to a non-racial democracy.

1995 - New York's Central Park is transformed into a giant open-air cathedral as Pope John Paul II celebrates Mass before a flock of 250,000.

1996 - Two car bombs explode inside the British army's heavily guarded headquarters in Northern Ireland, injuring 31 people.

2000 - Vojislav Kostunica takes the oath of office as Yugoslavia's first popularly elected president, closing the turbulent era of Slobodan Milosevic.

2001 - The United States and Britain launch a military attack on Osama bin Laden, the prime suspect in the Sept. 11 terrorist attacks on the United States, and his Taliban backers in Afghanistan. □

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Family affair for Martin Sheen and Emilio Estevez

DANA SCHIMMEL

Associated Press

NEW YORK (AP) — "The Way," a new film written and directed by Emilio Estevez, who also co-stars with his father, Martin Sheen, is about a father-son relationship. But shadowing a recent interview with The Associated Press was another son, Charlie Sheen, and the blowback of his outlandish behavior after being fired this year from TV's top-rated comedy "Two and a Half Men." Sheen has now distanced himself from those manic outbursts and has acknowledged he was at least partly responsible for his ouster from the CBS show. His lawsuit against Warner Bros. Television and series executive producer Chuck Lorre was settled late last month. Sheen showed up at a Los Angeles screening of "The Way."

"It was great to see him. He totally surprised us," Estevez said. "I will tell you what I felt really good about. I got through his security. He had this big Israeli security guys and I literally stepped right through them and gave

him a shoulder and got him in a tackle.

In the movie, Estevez stars as Daniel, who much to his father Tom's dismay leaves school to make a 500-mile spiritual pilgrimage through France and Spain. Daniel has an accident and dies in the Pyrenees mountains on his first day, prompting Tom (Sheen) to complete the journey for his son. The movie is dedicated to Estevez's paternal grandfather.

"I really felt like the spirit of my grandfather was right alongside me and really guiding us," said Estevez, who, with his father, talked about the movie and brother Charlie during the interview.

Highlights:

AP: What does Charlie think about the film?

Estevez: He loves it. He loves it. He's in our court. He supports it and if he can tweet to his now 5 million followers to go see the movie when it opens, we'd be really happy.

AP: Was making this film helpful in any way in dealing with what Charlie was

going through?

Martin Sheen: Well, when we were actually shooting the film, is two years ago at this time, so there was not that going on. But you know your children are never far from your heart, and those that need the most at the time, you draw them closer, so he's never very far away from me. Ever. No matter what, I adore him.

AP: What did you set out to do and say in the movie?

Estevez: I wanted to make a very gentle film that was about people. My mother for years has said, 'Write what you know. Make films about what you know.' And this movie is a celebration of that. I know something about family. I know something about community, a little bit about faith and I know about Spain. My grandfather is from ... about 80 miles away from Santiago de Compostela, where the film ends. I was very connected there and I really felt like the spirit of my grandfather was right alongside me and really guiding us.

AP: Given the personal na-



Martin Sheen, left, and Emilio Estevez attend the premiere of "The Way", in New York, Wednesday, Oct. 5, 2011.

Associated Press

ture of this project, did it change or affect you in any way?

Estevez: The character that I play, Daniel, is kind of a reflection of where I'd like to be. ... I feel a certain amount of wanderlust in my

spirit and I would love to put on a backpack and just go. ... I'd like to do the Camino, frankly."

AP: Did you feel more or less pressure having a lead role written and directed by your son? □

Character actor Charles Napier dies at 75

BAKERSFIELD, California

(AP) — His granite jaw, toothy grin and steely stare were the tools that made Charles Napier one of the most recognizable actors movie and TV audiences never heard of.

From the dim-witted country music star John Belushi flimflammed in "The Blues Brothers" movie to the scheming military intelligence officer who matched wits with Sylvester Stallone in "Rambo: First Blood II," Napier appeared in scores of films and TV shows in a career spanning more than 40 years.

He died Wednesday at age 75 at Bakersfield Memorial Hospital, his longtime friend Dennis Wilson told the Bakersfield Californian newspaper. The cause of death was not given.

The actor, whose earliest roles included a memorable turn as a hippie wan-

derer searching for paradise in a classic 1960s "Star Trek" episode, continued to work until shortly before his death. He had a voice role in the animated series "Archer" earlier this year.

In recent years he was a sheriff in an episode of "Monk," a father on "Curb Your Enthusiasm" and a security guard on the children's show "Ned's Declassified School Survival Guide."

His voice was also heard on several episodes of "The Simpsons" as Officer Krackney and other characters. His favorite role was as the judge in "Philadelphia," the 1993 film that won Tom Hanks a best actor Oscar as an attorney stricken with HIV.

His stock in trade, however, was playing steely eyed tough guys in films like "The Silence of the Lambs" and even comedies like "The

Blues Brothers," in which he famously threatened to knock out Belushi's teeth for asking to see his musician's union card.

"I always felt I played myself or some kind of version of myself," Napier told the Bakersfield Californian earlier this year.

"If you think about it, old actors probably don't even have a self."

Born in the small town of Mt. Union, Kentucky on April 12, 1936, Napier was a high school basketball star before enlisting in the Army in 1954.

After earning a degree in art from Western Kentucky University, he worked at various jobs, including art teacher and basketball coach. (He had minored in physical education.)

It was in graduate school at Western Kentucky in 1964 that he decided to try his hand at theater.

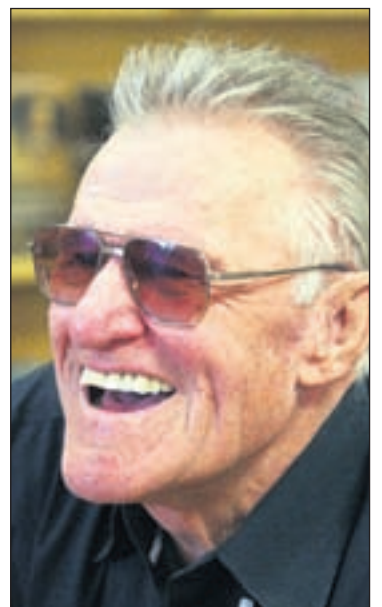
He appeared in several local plays, including Shakespeare's "Othello."

He eventually moved to Los Angeles, where he landed a small role on an episode of "Mission Impossible" in 1967.

He began appearing regularly in TV shows, including "Hogan's Heroes," "The Rockford Files," "Baretta," "The A-Team," "Kojak," "Murder, She Wrote" and numerous others.

He also made several films for schlock director Russ Meyer, including "Beyond the Valley of the Dolls," "Supervixens" and "Cherry, Harry and Raquel."

He said the latter provided him his most embarrassing Hollywood moment, when Meyer had him run toward the cameras wearing nothing but a hat and boots. Napier settled in the Bakersfield area in the mid-1980s, saying he was captivated



In this March 12, 2011 photo, actor and author Charles Napier is shown at an appearance for his book, "Square Jaw and Big Heart," at Russo's Books in Bakersfield, Calif.

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by the western Sierra mountain range after getting lost on the way home from filming a TV commercial. Survivors include sons Whit and Hunter and a daughter, Meghan. □

Breaking the Yom Kippur fast? Consider breakfast

JIM ROMANOFF,
For The Associated Press

The Jewish Day of Atonement, or Yom Kippur, is meant to leave observers with a clean slate for the year to come. But it also leaves you famished.

That's because a major aspect of this holiest of holidays is a 25-hour fast. Needless to say, everyone looks forward to breaking the fast at the end of Yom Kippur, and the anticipation (and hunger) often makes the meal seem that much more special.

Susie Fishbein, author of the "Kosher by Design" cookbook series, notes that most families treat the meal as literally a light breakfast.

"You've been fasting, so you don't want to eat anything too heavy," she said in a recent telephone interview. "And you've been at the synagogue all day, so you want a meal that's easy to put together or can be made ahead of time." This explains the popularity of serving deli foods, such as smoked fish and make-ahead casseroles like kugels.

New York radio personality Arthur Schwartz, who also is author of "Arthur Schwartz's Jewish Home Cooking," calls the Yom Kippur supper the "ultimate

Jewish Sunday brunch."

"It's definitely a breakfast," he says. "And I've actually heard of families that start their Yom Kippur meal with oatmeal, although I don't know why, given all the other delicious foods that are available."

He fondly recalls a meal from his childhood in Brooklyn that always began on a very light note with fresh melon. This was followed by mostly cold foods such as smoked and pickled fish, such as lox and whitefish, egg salad, tuna salad and then a savory noodle kugel made with sour cream, potted cheese and "a whole lot of butter."

Schwartz admits that he and his father would occasionally cheat on the fast because Yom Kippur sometimes fell during the baseball World Series, and they would snack on peanut butter and Ritz crackers during the game (after a respectable amount of fasting, of course).

Fishbein points out that eating breakfast-like foods fits with a more Western sensibility about what you might eat after fasting, as if your stomach was just waking up. Sephardic Jews, whose roots are in Spain and the Middle East, often partake of soups and stews, which



Warmed fig, farmer cheese and caramelized onion morsels can easily be made ahead of time for quick preparation at mealtime.

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also can be easily made ahead of time.

This year, Fishbein is planning on serving mini berry noodle kugels, which she'll prepare ahead of time in mini bundt cake pans. She said she'll also serve a fritata either cold or at room temperature.

To add a fun activity and hot dish to the celebration, she's planning on setting up a panini station, where guests can build their own sandwiches with ingredients she'll prep ahead of time, then crisp them on an electric press. □



In this Dec. 7, 2010 file photo, comedian Bill Cosby, left, is shown at a cocktail reception prior to the 2010 College Football Hall of Fame awards dinner in New York, and in this Aug. 19, 2009 file photo, Chita Rivera is shown during an interview in New York. Rivera and comedian Bill Cosby will celebrate Art Start's 20th anniversary with a benefit show on Thursday, Oct. 13, 2011.

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Bill Cosby, Chita Rivera to share NYC benefit show

By MARK KENNEDY
AP Drama Writer

NEW YORK (AP) — At 74, Bill Cosby says he doesn't want to dawdle.

"When you hit the 70 mark, some of your friends have been destroyed or are dead," the comedian and activist says by phone. "You keep going, but you do have a feeling that as you're walking forward, someone's turning the lights out behind you."

One of America's most beloved and groundbreaking joke-tellers, Cosby has leveraged his fame — he is the first black actor to win a lead actor Emmy and beloved for his groundbreaking series "The Cosby Show" — to give back.

"We really don't want waste time," he says of his septuagenarian peers. "I just don't want to leave without thanking those who are doing good. It doesn't have to be a big thing."

Cosby has found one of those things in an Oct. 13 benefit for the organization Art Start at New York City's 1,500-seat Town Hall. The comedian will be joined by Chita Rivera and Mark Nadler for a one-night-only performance of "Laugh, Sing, Dance."

"I'll do part of my show that I've been doing around the country," says Rivera, 78, who is an old friend of Cosby's. She'll be singing songs from musicals she's most famous for, including

"Kiss of the Spider Woman," "Chicago," "West Side Story" and "Bye Bye Birdie." Art Start, now celebrating its 20th anniversary, has been providing visual and performing arts programs for New York City's most at-risk youth, offering an outlet for children who are homeless, leaving jail or coping with parents in crisis. "Many of these children are homeless. Many are feeling strongly unempowered, not having a choice about anything," Cosby says. "Through touching, feeling, hearing, seeing, these kids may be able to disappear from the gloom in their heart." Nadler, a singer and pianist who is a member of Art Start's board of directors, brought the two acclaimed performers together for the event. Ticket prices range from \$35 to \$150. Tony Award-winning Rivera was most recently on Broadway in "Chita Rivera: The Dancer's Life" and was recently seen in the Signature Theatre's production of "The Visit." She's doing a reading for a new musical and is slated to continue her concerts. Cosby is awaiting the release of his new book, "I Didn't Choose to be Born (But I'm Glad I Was)," which comes out Nov. 1.

For Cosby, helping kids is a mission and getting to work with Rivera is just icing on the cake. "She has one of the greatest laughs. Period. □

Nickelodeon, stars to honor teens for service

NEW YORK (AP) — Lady Gaga, Taylor Swift, David Beckham and Jessica Biel will help honor teenagers who are trying to help solve social problems in a Nickelodeon special.

The Teen Nick HALO Awards will air Nov. 6 with Nick Cannon as host. HALO stands for "helping and leading others."

Gaga is honoring Emily-Anne Rigal. She's a 17-year-old from Williamsburg, Virginia, who started the anti-bullying website and YouTube channel WeStopHate after she had to switch schools because she was bullied about her weight.



In this Sept. 19, 2011 file photo, Taylor Swift arrives for the Academy of Country Music Honors show, in Nashville, Tenn.

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Gaga said Rigal has "strong convictions and a beautiful soul" and she took interest in her work because she feels passionate about anti-bullying efforts.

"I want families to take responsibility for raising their kids to honor one another," Gaga said. James O'Dwyer, 19, of Tuscaloosa, Alabama, started a disaster relief effort for people in his city and surroundings hit hard by tornadoes in April. Swift took notice of his work. Shanoah Washington, 18, escaped an area of gang violence in California when her grandmother moved her to St. Petersburg, Florida. □

The twisting route back to Romney

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This just in: The Iowa caucuses have been moved up significantly, lest the state jeopardize its status as the nation's Capital of Disproportionate Political Influence. They will be held Wednesday.

State Republican officials said they had no choice and could take no chances, not after their peers in Florida set a new date for their primary, Monday, Oct. 31, and then, in a cunning bid for maximum television coverage, promised Halloween candy to voters who came in costume as the candidate they supported. This understandably infuriated South Carolina Republicans, who rescheduled their primary for Monday, Oct. 17, even though nine of the 213 Republican debates won't have been held by that point.

Far-fetched? Only a little. Whether judged by the leapfrog that states are playing with the contest calendar, the quicksilver rise and fall of candidates du jour, the showy dithering of supposedly would-be contenders or the dogged persistence of also-rans sprinting nowhere fast, this has been an epically silly primary season, and (cue the Carpenters) we've only just begun.

Almost makes you wonder why we bother with it at all. On the far side of Super Tuesday, which at this rate is going to have to be nicknamed Afterthought Tuesday, the victor will most likely be Mitt Romney, the very politician on whom the party establishment placed its bets from the start. Things weren't so different in primary seasons past with John McCain, George W. Bush, Bob Dole. The arc of Republican history bends toward the foregone conclusion.

But while it's bending, what fun we have! The 24-hour news cycle demands nothing less. There are pundits to quiz, acres of cyberspace to fill, Op-Ed columns to file, chesty or creepy-eyed Newsweek covers to shoot, campaign strategists to deify, campaign strategists to demonize, and an Ed Rollins psychodrama to behold.

The media-political-industrial complex must have its way and its say, and so the Michele Bachmann crest gives way to the Rick A. Perry tsunami and now the Herman Cain ripple, thanks to his fearsome dominance at the fiercely contested Florida straw poll.

You thought straw polls were proprietary to Iowa? Only in Iowa's dreams.

Not just Florida but also the National Federation of Republican Women held such polls recently, and Cain triumphed in both.

He's unstoppable, and could be stopping soon at a Costco or Barnes & Noble near you. For

much of this month he'll be promoting his just published, ambiguously titled book, "This is Herman Cain!" It's not just exclamatory but delusional, as demonstrated by its subtitle, "My Journey to the White House."

I don't doubt that he'd like to get there. I doubt very much that he expects to, but then entering the primaries — or, the easier route, flirting with entering them — is less about viability than visibility. Donald Trump rode self-created speculation about a possible candidacy to enhanced ratings for the TV show "Celebrity Apprentice."

Bachmann has a book due in late November. It has been titled to appeal to both the Pentecostal and Pilates crowds. It's called "Core of Conviction."

Down the line she and Cain and Rick Santorum will be in competition for the kinds of speaking gigs and television slots enjoyed by Sarah Palin, who still hasn't made up her mind about the primaries, or so she says.

All four now enjoy a currency well beyond their actual political offices or professional accomplishments — a currency derived from, and rising with, the sheer number of times a television camera turns their way. For that reason and by that arithmetic, the primaries are a profitable gig.

And the calendar gets ever kookier. It has long been frustrating, granting outside sway to Iowa and South Carolina and thus tilting the Republican process in favor of candidates with conservative positions on social issues. It's telling that Chris Christie opposes abortion rights and same-sex marriage. Would the courting of him be so ardent, and the assessment of his prospects so hopeful, if he supported either?

As for actual dates, Iowa is indeed expected to hold its caucuses in early January rather than early February, because South Carolina on Monday moved its primary up to Jan. 21, a reaction to Florida's deciding on Jan. 31, in defiance of national party leaders' wishes.

That Florida was feeling neglected is perhaps the silliest primary-season twist of all.

This is the place that educated a breathless nation on the distinction between dimpled, hanging and pregnant chads, and it becomes a veritable news media preserve for the months just before every presidential election.

There's loud chatter about its junior senator, Marco Rubio, being tapped as the Republican nominee's running mate.

To top it all off, Cain himself — the straw poll victor! — will be hitting bookstores in St. Petersburg and near Orlando on Wednesday. Could a state really ask for anything more? □



Hooray for federal loans!



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In the firestorm over Solyndra, three main criticisms have emerged.

The first is that Solyndra wasn't ready for prime time and that the Energy Department, which gave it a \$535 million federally guaranteed loan, should have known as much. The second is that Solyndra used political influence to land a loan that was destined to blow up. And the third is that Solyndra's bankruptcy case shows why government bureaucrats shouldn't be picking technology winners and losers — or making risky investments that the private sector won't.

I think we can now safely concede the first point. Although what sunk Solyndra was the unsustainably high price of its innovative solar panels, The Washington Post, The Los Angeles Times and Megan McArdle's blog at The Atlantic's website have all made a convincing case that, internally, the company was a mess. The second argument, on the other hand, strikes me as utterly bogus. Yes, there are a few emails from inside the government that questioned the loan guarantee. And, yes, Solyndra hired — shocker! — lobbyists. But you can always find, after the fact, "bad documents" that can be twisted to make something innocent sound nefarious.

"I suspect that when all the information finally comes out, there will be very little that is scandal-

ous," said Jonathan Rothwell, who has studied the Solyndra case as a senior research analyst at the Brookings Institution. Although Republicans will surely try to keep Solyndra in the news until, oh, next November, the scandal will eventually evaporate because there is very little there. The third criticism is the one that really matters: government "is a crappy vc," as Obama's former economic adviser, Larry Summers, put it in another embarrassing email that was recently obtained — and leaked — by congressional Republicans.

"VC," of course, stands for venture capitalist; the notion is that government is not equipped to play that role. A corollary point, voiced by Holman Jenkins Jr. in The Wall Street Journal, is that solar projects that make financial sense get financed by the private sector and those that don't are the ones that need federal backing. But if you spend any time actually looking into how the Energy Department doles out the loan guarantees, you quickly realize that it's not acting like a venture capitalist. Rather, it is funding projects that have attracted private capital — lots of it. The private sector, in other words, is still the one picking winners and losers. What the program is essentially doing is moving alternative energy innovations to full-scale development. Why is the government doing this? Because this is precisely where the private sector fails. As Rothwell puts it, "The program is supposed to overcome the commercialization valley of death." In this country, it is relatively easy to get venture capital for a good idea — and alternative energy has attracted billions in the past few years. What is hard to come by is money to fund the far more expensive process of commercializing the innovation. Andy Grove, the former chief executive of Intel (and still one of the great business minds in America), has been sounding the alarm about this, pointing out that one reason

so many American innovations wind up being manufactured in China is that the Chinese are more than happy to finance the commercialization process. One company that has received three federally guaranteed loans, totaling more than \$3 billion, is First Solar. That money is going to help the company build three solar power plants in California and Arizona. The plants already have long-term contracts with utilities. They have locked-in cash flows. The risk is minimal. Shouldn't banks be making these loans? Sure, but they are still paralyzed by the financial crisis and don't understand the economics of solar power. Can you really argue that the government should, therefore, also sit on its hands? Indeed, one goal of the loan guarantee program is to show private capital that these loans make sense — so that the banks can eventually step in and replace the government. The Republicans know all this, surely. In 2005, when the Energy Policy Act was proposed by the Bush administration, they made some of these same arguments in support of the loan guarantee program, which was part of the bill. The bill passed the House with overwhelming Republican support. Most Democrats voted no. Today, the Republican-led Energy and Commerce Committee is investigating Solyndra, forcing its executives to take the Fifth Amendment, and releasing embarrassing White House emails. I looked it up: Every single Republican on that committee who was in office in 2005 voted for the loan guarantee program that they are now so gleefully condemning.

I wonder why.

Many readers have asked if Harold Burson's Nuremberg trial scripts, which were the subject of my last column, are available online. Although they are not, Harold has posted a small sampling at www.haroldburson.com/nuremberg.html. I hope you enjoy them as much as I did. □

David Lynch's Silencio space in Paris opens

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PARIS – A Cinderella moment was fast approaching. Damir Doma was ordered to leave his own party.

The designer was hosting a Fashion Week celebration of his collection with 250 guests at David Lynch's new underground entertainment space, Silencio. But with midnight looming, Doma's three-hour time slot was ending. The club had to be emptied – and fast – to make way for an even bigger party hosted by the rapper-turned-designer Kanye West.

More than 20 minutes of pleading and threats by Doma's agents led nowhere. Music being played by Mike Nouveau, the disc jockey, was cut mid-song. The guests, some angry, some sullen, some bemused, were unceremoniously ushered up the club's six-story staircase and out onto the street.

"We still love you," Doma intoned flatly as he walked past the interior designer Rafael Navot, who collaborated with Lynch on Silencio. He delivered the words with an ambiguity and smooth irony that might have pleased Lynch, the American filmmaker, artist and – now – Paris nightclub creator. Silencio had not yet had its official opening (that comes Thursday night) but the place already had the edgy feel of a David Lynch movie.

"This is a very fragile moment," Navot said after Doma had gone. "It's important that at the beginning the boom is there. We need to convey the concept of the club – big."

Silencio, which is named after the creepy theater in Lynch's 2001 dark mystery/love story, "Mulholland Drive," is an architectural execution of his cinematic passion for shapes, textures, light and illusion. No matter that it wasn't quite ready to open.

Paris Fashion Week, with all its glitter and hype, was too tempting an opportunity to pass up. So the 2,100-square-foot not-

quite-finished club was transformed this past week into a must-see, must-experience hothouse for the visiting fashion-and-media elite. In addition to Doma

the Israeli model Bar Refaeli; the Belgian designer Kris Van Assche; the actress Jessica Biel; and Lindsay Lohan.

So many – too many – peo-

contrast, catered more to women in space-age costumes. Hermes' was small and sedate, the dancing by the mostly French crowd disciplined and controlled.

newspapers like the left-leaning L'Aurore, which printed Emile Zola's open letter, "J'Accuse," in defense of Alfred Dreyfus, in 1898.

"Once I saw the space and the strange underground rooms and learned its history, I got into it," Lynch said in an interview. "It felt like designing film interiors, where mood is all important. I wanted to make a space that supports good feeling."

The Paris Silencio is different from the "Mulholland Drive" Club Silencio – more opulent than ominous. With the space two years in the making and a cost of 3 million euros (about \$4 million), it's preopening PR appears to be working; already it has been compared to the Dadaists' Cabaret Voltaire in Zurich, Andy Warhol's Factory in New York and the existentialists' Cafe Flore on the Left Bank.

Upon entry, the darkness of the black staircase opens into a series of golden spaces – not the shiny tinsel-gold of five-star hotels in places like Abu Dhabi or Hong Kong, but soft gold leaf on arches and walls constructed from small blocks of raw oak. (The same group of artisans responsible for the gold domes of the Invalides, the Corcoran Gallery of Art in Washington and the flame of the Statue of Liberty laid on the gold leaf with special brushes). The lighting plays with reality. Lights ringing the mirrors in the restroom turn viewers' eyes into bright cats' eyes. Walls are not painted but covered with natural materials like decomposed marble. Ceilings are lined with strips of golden metal that function as distortion mirrors.

A dream forest with pale yellow steel trees and two-way mirrors that give the illusion of infinity will serve as (this being Paris) a smoking room. There is a 24-seat movie theater and a lounge-like library. A live stage with a translucent and reflective dance floor evokes the feel of the film's Club Silencio, whose magician says, "It's all an illusion." □



Catherine Baba with a beaded wig poses during fashion week at David Lynch's new subterranean entertainment space, Silencio, in Paris. Silencio, which is named after the theater in Lynch's 2001 dark mystery/love-story "Mulholland Drive," is an architectural execution of Lynch's cinematic passion for shapes, textures, light and illusion.

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People outside of David Lynch's new subterranean entertainment space, Silencio.

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and West, party hosts included Proenza Schouler, Gareth Pugh, Balenciaga, Hermes and Chanel.

West attracted the largest number of celebrities: the Olsen twins; Marc Jacobs' perfume model, Karlie Kloss; the actor-singer Jared Leto; Solange Knowles, Beyonce's sister; Chanel Iman;

ple came. Thick, self-important crowds made both moving and breathing difficult. You needed to avoid thinking that you were six stories below ground. Outside, the Paris police came to help control a want-to-get-in crowd that swelled to 300.

Gareth Pugh's party, by

The location of Silencio is a perfect fit for Lynch. The building – 142, rue Montmartre, near the Paris Stock Exchange in the second arrondissement – is a Paris landmark, constructed by the same atelier that designed the Eiffel Tower. Originally a printing house, it was the headquarters for